

Hussein coy about latest U.S.-Israel proposition

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Jordan's King Hussein declined to respond to the latest American-Israeli peace proposals and told U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz this week in London that he would do so only after the November 8 Arab summit in Amman, sources in Jerusalem said yesterday. Hussein, did not, however, reject the proposals outright.

The nature of these proposals remained unknown yesterday. The proposals, agreed upon by Prime Minister Shamir, Foreign Minister Peres and Shultz during the weekend talks in Jerusalem, apparently run a precarious middle way between Peres's proposals for an "international conference" and Shamir's traditional insistence on "direct Israeli-Arab talks," without super-power imposition or even input.

Shamir, it appears, has agreed to some sort of modified Soviet role in future Middle East peacemaking, albeit without a formal "international conference" framework.

Such a framework could possibly follow the precedent set by the December 1973 Middle East peace conference in Geneva which followed the Yom Kippur War. That conference was held under UN auspices and its co-chairmen were then-U.S. secretary of state Henry Kissinger and then-Soviet foreign minister Andrei Gromyko.

Shamir's aides yesterday reiterated that Shamir remained firmly opposed to the international conference concept or to Israeli-Arab talks under "Soviet-American auspices."

Shamir and Peres yesterday held talks in Jerusalem with U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy, who briefed the two on Shultz's talks on Tuesday in London with Hussein.

Israeli officials refused to divulge any details of yesterday's meetings here. But sources in Jerusalem suggested that the absence of any negative announcements by Hussein of Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, with whom Shultz met earlier this week, regarding the Israeli-Arab peace proposals for a peace negotiating framework is an indication that "they are not completely unacceptable to the Arabs."

Murphy arrived in Cairo yesterday and briefed Egyptian Foreign Minister Boutros Boutros-Ghali on Shultz's talks in London, ministry sources said.

The sources suggested that the key to the present Israeli-Arab initiative lies in Moscow, where Shultz is due to begin talks with his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, tomorrow. Shultz will then hear at least the Soviet's tentative response to the proposals, which most certainly assure the Soviets a far more limited role in Middle East peacemaking than that originally envisaged by them for themselves when they launched the "international conference" idea in the 1970s.

En route from London to Helsinki yesterday, Shultz said his Middle East tour had made no progress towards peace efforts in the region and distanced himself from the idea of an international peace conference.

"Realistically, I cannot point to any particular thing that moves matters forward," he said, adding that he agreed with some objections raised by Israel about Soviet participation at any international peace conference on the Middle East.

"The Soviets, of course, are pushing very hard on an international (Continued on Page 2, Col. 2)



Georgian Orthodox Patriarch Ilia II photographed at Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial in Jerusalem yesterday. (Hazzira, Media)

Georgians press claim to Monastery of the Cross

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The head of the Georgian Orthodox Church, Patriarch Ilia II, yesterday told President Herzog and Religious Affairs Minister Zevulun Hammer that his Church was pressing its claim to Jerusalem's Monastery of the Cross.

The patriarch said that the main purpose of his visit was to discuss the monastery with Greek Orthodox Patriarch Diodoros I, whose Church owns the monastery. The statement by the Georgian cleric apparently not only took the Israeli officials by surprise, but also startled Diodoros, who was present at the meeting and is the host of the Georgian delegation.

The monastery, which is less than a kilometer from the Knesset, has strong links with Georgia and is said to have housed the Georgian national poet, the monk Shota Rustaveli, in the 11th century, although it passed into Greek hands in the 17th century. The historical link with Georgia was highlighted by the Greek Patriarchate when it reopened the newly refurbished monastery to the public only a year and a half ago.

The Georgian Orthodox Church, which is based in the Soviet republic of Georgia, is independent of the Russian Orthodox Church, whose patriarch sits in Moscow. During the years after the establishment of the state of Israel, the Soviet government had expressed an interest in the monastery, based upon the earlier link with Georgia.

Following the visit of the Georgian patriarch to the two Israeli officials, Father Timothy, the secretary of the Greek Orthodox Patriarch, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the Georgian patriarch had not mentioned Georgian claims to the monastery in his talks with the Greek Orthodox patriarch. Timothy expressed the belief that what was involved was simply a desire to renew the tradition of pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

"There is no question of any rights," he asserted.

In his talks with Herzog and the religious affairs minister, the Georgian patriarch, who had earlier visited Masada and Yad Vashem, went out of his way to stress the excellent relations between his Church and the Jews of Georgia.

Ethiopian immigrants forced out into the cold after recent rains

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Dozens of families of Ethiopian immigrants have been forced out into the cold by the recent heavy rains, which ruined the run-down mobile homes that they have been living in for several years.

Leaders of the Association of Ethiopian Immigrants reported that most of the families who were forced out of their homes by the rains live in the mobile home camp in Pardess Hanna. Other camps housing about 100 families are in Or Akiva, Ashkelon and Netivot.

Several MKs are to visit the Pardess Hanna camp today, and have

reportedly promised to press the Absorption Ministry to find permanent apartments for the residents of the camps.

The camps were set up about 10 years ago by the Aliya Department of the Jewish Agency as temporary quarters for Russian immigrants. They were pressed into service for the Ethiopians, even though many had begun to fall apart.

Leaders of the association also reported that many mobile homes leaked badly in the rain, causing some of the residents to become ill. The Aliya Department could not be reached for comment last night.

WALL STREET CONSOLIDATES RECOVERY Stability begins to return to world stock markets

NEW YORK. — Wall Street yesterday scored a record one-day gain of 187 points, benefiting from bargain hunting and strong dollar and bond market advances.

Stability also began to return to the world's stock markets, with investors regaining some of the optimism that had been devastated by the earlier record plunges on the New York exchange. But a strong dose of skepticism still prevailed and investors were left looking for further signs that the market would sustain a rebound from "Black Monday's" 508-point pounding.

"The general attitude is one of relief," said one Wall Street trader last night. "But most people still think that we are in a fragile market and had better be careful."

Wall Street came roaring back from its \$500 billion collapse yesterday morning as the Dow Jones In-

dustrial Average rose nearly 195 points in the first two hours of trading following gains in overseas markets.

Advancing issues swamped declining ones by a 13-to-1 margin on the New York Stock Exchange in very heavy trading as the Dow Industrials broke through the 2,000 level with ease.

"We see a large increase in greed here. We're seeing people throwing money fast and hard and maybe without thinking," said Thomas Czech, first vice president for research at the Blunt Ellis and Loewi Inc. brokerage firm in Minneapolis.

Yesterday's rally seemed healthier than Tuesday's because it was not confined to blue-chip stocks. Stocks gained across the NYSE as well as on the American Stock Exchange and in the over-the-counter market, which had fallen sharply on Tuesday. These two markets list companies that are generally smaller than those on the NYSE.

President Reagan agreed to a meeting with Congress over ways to

cut the U.S. budget deficit because he was shocked by Monday's huge drop in stock prices, Senate Finance Committee chairman Lloyd Bentsen said.

"It took this kind of a massive

SUSPENDED

The New York Stock Exchange said last night that it had suspended three member firms as a result of financial difficulties.

The exchange said the brokerage firms were William Mayer and Co., AIG Inc., and Metropolitan Securities, all based in New York City.

stock to get the president to change his mind," the Texas Democrat told reporters.

Reagan, buoyed by the market's partial recovery, said: "There is nothing that has happened here that should result in a recession."

After a meeting with Federal Reserve Board chairman Alan Green-

span and Treasury secretary James Baker, Reagan added: "Economic fundamentals in this country remain sound and our citizens should not panic."

Senate majority leader Robert C. Byrd questioned yesterday whether Reagan is willing to compromise on reducing the budget deficit, but said congressional leaders are eager for that approach.

Byrd noted that the president said Tuesday he was willing to look at whatever proposal Congress produces, presumably including tax increases. But Byrd added that a few minutes after Reagan's comment, the president "had his aides out there backing and filling ... indicating a change in his attitudes."

But the U.S. business sector has already taken precautionary steps. Chase Manhattan Corp. said last night that it has already restructured its third-quarter earnings to the tune of \$50 million in a way that will mean the elimination of 1,000 jobs.

Around the world, major stock (Continued on back page)

Bank shares rise -- against the trend

Tel Aviv exchange in second-day plunge

By SELOMO MAOZ
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Jerusalem Post Reporters

The Tel Aviv Stock Exchange took a dive for the second consecutive day as investors dumped non-banking shares. Demand for foreign currency, and for assets linked to foreign currency exchange rates, markedly increased in the stock exchange, where there was a keen demand for bank shares. In the black market, foreign currency rates surged upwards.

At the end of trading, prices of the regulated bank shares were up 2 per cent. According to Capital Markets Commissioner Yehuda Drori, this reflected the attractive yields of the shares rather than expectations of a devaluation.

Conditions in the capital market

were apparently not only the result of Monday's Wall Street crash. Recovery in foreign markets left investors in the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange unimpressed. They tried to unload shares, thus indicating that domestic developments were clearly on their minds.

From the Treasury's point of view, the Wall Street crash could not have come at a worse time. Drori revealed that, on Tuesday, the last day on which holders of bank shares in savings schemes could give redemption orders, there was a marked increase in the number of investors asking for cash. Holders of shares worth NIS300 million asked for cash at the last minute. This raised the figure of shares being converted to cash from an expected 50 per cent to some 68 per

cent. Orders for conversion to cash totalled NIS1.4 billion, out of NIS2b. The funds will be deposited in the investors' accounts on October 30, according to the official dollar exchange rate for October 27.

Drori said he expected no dramatic effects on the economy from the large amounts of cash that will be injected by the end of the month. He estimated that half of the sums cashed in will be deposited almost immediately in savings schemes or provident funds. The balance will not necessarily be used to finance consumption, he said.

Meanwhile, in the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange investors continued dumping non-banking shares. The General Share Index, excluding bank shares, plunged by 5.79 per cent. The prices of 265 shares went

down, 80 remained unchanged and only 73 went up. The public liquidated about \$20m. worth of assets in mutual funds.

On the black market, European currencies rallied strongly, with one Deutschmark being sold at NIS 1.13 per cent above its official rate. Other European currencies were also in demand. Japanese yen were unavailable. Even the dollar was being traded at NIS1.72 (see page 4).

Meanwhile, at the Treasury some relief was caused by the news that the dollar had regained strength in foreign markets. Earlier this week, when the American currency plunged, ministry officials said privately that a much lower dollar would make devaluation inevitable. But the trouble is apparently not (Continued on back page)

Cairo getting Arab aid

CAIRO (Reuters). — Egypt, shunned by most Arab countries since 1979, has been promised fresh economic aid by wealthy Gulf emirates in return for political support, Arab diplomats said yesterday.

Saudi Arabia has given Cairo a \$90 million grant to pay off instalments on military debt to the U.S., an Egyptian official told Reuters. Egypt, burdened by heavy foreign debt, last year sought easier repayment terms on its \$4.5 billion military debt to Washington.

Arab states have already bailed out Cairo near a critical repayment at least once. Egypt has not publicly confirmed the assistance.

In a speech last week, President Hosni Mubarak vowed to help defend Kuwait. Egypt and Gulf countries have been drawn together, especially by their backing for Iraq against Iran.

Egyptian economic teams have toured Gulf states in recent months and officials from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates have discussed investment prospects

in Egyptian agriculture, industry and real estate, diplomats said.

Egypt and the UAE have a joint Arab Investment Corporation set up in 1975 with capital of \$50m. The organization was not affected by the 1979 diplomatic break.

Foreign Ministry officials said Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Kuwait and the UAE indicated in recent talks here their willingness to finance production of certain weapons they need, including aircraft, tanks and armoured vehicles.

For the first time, Arab countries without official ties with Cairo are to send representatives to Egypt's annual arms show in the Egyptian capital next month. They are expected to hold talks on arms purchases.

Until 1979, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and several other Arab countries had considerable investment in a joint arms-making firm in Egypt, the Arab Military Industrial Organization.

After the diplomatic break, they pulled out. Egypt froze their shares and continued to run the firm alone.

Masri murderers get life

By JOEL GREENBERG
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Two West Bank Palestinians convicted of killing Nablus mayor Zafer al-Masri and two Israelis were sentenced to life imprisonment by the Nablus military court yesterday. In a minority opinion, one of the three judges recommended the death penalty, though the prosecution had demanded a life sentence.

Mu'ayid Abdel Samad, 25, of Anabta, and Ahmad Hanani, 31, of Beit Furik were convicted Monday of killing al-Masri on March 2, 1986, on orders of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. Abdel Samad told an Israeli Television interviewer in August that he had no regrets about killing al-Masri, who he said symbolized Israeli and Jordanian attempts to weaken the PLO. Al-Masri had been appointed to his post by the Israeli authorities with Jordanian approval.

Abdel Samad was convicted of shooting al-Masri in the back on the steps of the Nablus Municipality, while Hanani provided cover and

later drove a getaway car.

The two men were also convicted of fatally shooting Border Policeman Jamil Faris in Nablus in January 1986 and slaying Albert Buchris of Afula as he entered a Nablus bakery in June 1985, on orders of the PFLP. They were convicted of a series of attempted murders, including the shooting in the back of Uri Ovad as he visited Jenin with his family in July 1985, and a similar shooting of Haim Tan'ani in June 1986 in Nablus. The judges noted that the two men had planned murders even without receiving orders from the PFLP command.

The prosecutor, Capt. Ronen Katzar, said that though the severity of the crimes required a death penalty, it should not be imposed because of the negative repercussions which would follow the executions.

Security forces have arrested the head of the cell to which the men belonged. He is to be charged in the Nablus military court in the next few weeks.

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Body found of drowned IDF officer

Jerusalem Post Staff
The body of 26-year-old IDF Captain Ahmed Farashi was found by Navy frogmen yesterday afternoon in a pool of water created by flash floods near the Arava moshav of Ein Yahav.

Farashi, a Druze from the village of Abu-Snein, disappeared Saturday night as he tried to help two soldiers trapped in a car that was in danger of being washed away on the Arava road. An extensive search was launched immediately.

Several hours after the Mckorot water company decided to drain the pond near Ein Yahav, Farashi's body was found by the frogmen.

Farashi, who was one of five children, joined the IDF in 1980 and served in the Druse unit, ultimately becoming an operations officer. His cousin Nishli said yesterday that he was "devoted to helping others, a fighter with unusual initiative and rare courage."

Farashi's cortege will leave Ramat Hashmona in Haifa at 12.30 p.m. today for the funeral in his Galilee village at 3.



Storm brewing here over Cicciolina

A politician who reveals everything

By BERNARD JOSEPHS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The porn queen turned politician, whose outstanding qualities won the approval of thousands of Italian voters and secured her a place in the country's parliament, is due to arrive here tonight — to a storm of controversy.

Ilona Staller, better known by her "trade name" Cicciolina, was a star of pornographic movies and strip shows when she was elected an MP in June as a candidate of the small Radical Party. She celebrated her victory at the polls by appearing half naked in front of her cheering supporters.

Despite her new status, her stay in Israel is to be dominated by shows at the Caravan nightclub in Jaffa and the Cinema in Tel Aviv, where she will prove that there is at least one politician around who is prepared to reveal everything.

The blonde 37-year-old is also expected to attempt to present Israeli MKs with a Middle East peace plan, which can be roughly summed up by the phrase "Make love, not war." Yesterday there was enough ex-

citement about her visit to suggest that the red-hot lady of Latin politics could do worse than stand for the Knesset. The Dan Panorama Hotel in Tel Aviv, where she will be staying together with her manager and bodyguard, was besieged by callers demanding rooms. One man offered to pay \$4,500 for one night within sniping distance of the curvaceous VIP.

And the spokesman for the Dan group, Ran Rahav, reported that the switchboard had been jammed for hours.

Cicciolina will be well protected from the crowds expected to turn up for a glimpse of the world's most over-exposed legislator. The hotel is providing four bodyguards.

But others were not so enthusiastic about the arrival of the Honorable Miss Staller. Yesterday the Movement Against Pornography called on the police to station officers at her performances. "If she does anything that is against the law, the shows must be stopped immediately," said the association's legal adviser Aharon Borochin.

Aguda MK Avraham Shapira,

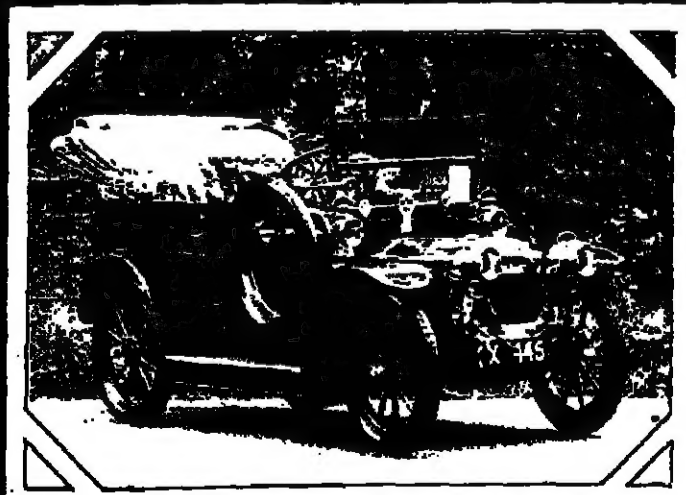
who has called on the prime minister and the Speaker of the Knesset to ban the visit, said it was "shameful" that Cicciolina was appearing here. She should not be allowed into the country, he insisted.

Other MKs also showed a marked lack of fraternal enthusiasm at the prospect of greeting her, although some women members of the House, among them Sara Doron, said they thought it would be absurd to stop her from entering the Knesset.

About the only person not getting worked up — one way or the other — over the arrival of the owner of the most photographed seat in the Italian parliament is 85-year-old Professor Yeshayahu Leibowitz, the veteran philosopher and intellectual gadfly.

"She is no better or worse than any other politician," he told reporters. "Therefore I would say to her what I would say to all politicians, that it would be best if they didn't exist. I don't know how the world would be without leaders — but we certainly know how it looks with them."

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Forecast: Rain in North and centre of country

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Max
Jerusalem	45	14-25	25
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Nahariya	-	18 -	25
Salad	32	13-24	24
Haifa Port	42	14-25	24
Tiberias	40	17-28	28
Nazareth	46	16-26	26
Afula	45	16-26	26
Shomron	53	15-26	26
Tel Aviv	63	18-26	26
B-G Airport	61	17-27	27
Jericho	37	18-31	31
Gaza	54	18-27	27
Beersheva	54	17-27	27
Eilat	41	19-31	31



Tzila Lurie in a 1976 photo

Tzila Lurie dies

Tzila Lurie, the widow of the late editor of *The Jerusalem Post*, Ted Lurie, has died of a stroke at 71. She was found dead yesterday at her home in the Rehavia neighbourhood in Jerusalem.

She was born in Tel Aviv of which her grandparents, the Berger family, were among the founders. She married Ted Lurie in the early Thirties and was a loyal and supportive companion to him from the days he founded together with Gershon Agnon *The Palestine Post*, the forerunner of *The Jerusalem Post*. She is survived by three married daughters, Ada, Tami and Yael and grandchildren.

The funeral will leave tomorrow, Friday, at 10 a.m. from the Sanhedria funeral parlour in Jerusalem for the Har Hamenuhot cemetery.

Tehiya upset by Shamir's stance on peace talks

Prime Minister Shamir's agreement to let the two superpowers invite Israel and Jordan to conduct bilateral negotiations on a Middle East settlement has prompted the right-wing Tehiya opposition faction to propose a vote of no-confidence in the government. The measure will be debated next week.

Explaining its motion, Tehiya wrote that Shamir had no right to permit the involvement of foreign powers in any decisions regarding the future of Eretz Yisrael, especially since one of them is the hostile Soviet Union.

Shamir was endangering both land and nation by his move, Tehiya warned, and the Knesset must therefore withdraw its confidence from his government.

Nobody on the Likud benches has so far demurred at Shamir's agreement to U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz's initiative. According to one source inside the parliamentary faction, Shamir's agreement is a tactical move which cannot do the Likud any harm, whichever way it turns out.

Likud chairman Haim Kaufman commented on the motion: "We were under the impression that Tehiya was hibernating till the end of the winter. But now Shultz seems to have woken them up."

Uzi Baram to head Labour's campaign

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Labour Party secretary-general Uzi Baram will head his party's election campaign. It was decided in a late-night meeting between Baram and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres on Tuesday.

The two reportedly settled their differences regarding the scope of Baram's authority over the campaign in general and Peres's personal staff in particular.

HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS

Broadcast strike could end today

By GREER FAY CASHMAN and DVORAH GETZLER
Jerusalem Post Reporters

The 16-day strike by Broadcasting Authority journalists may end today. The strikers are to meet this morning in Jerusalem to discuss a plan proposed at the beginning of this week by IBA director-general Uri Porat.

Aimed at increasing efficiency and assuring orderly broadcasting, the plan calls for a 20 per cent across-the-board cut in staff which will affect journalists most.

Porat has stated that if he can make this cut in staff, the money saved in salaries will enable him to give all tenured IBA personnel a 25 per cent pay rise.

The reaction from the workers has been largely negative. Strike committee spokesman Zvi Goren was confident last night that his colleagues would continue to support the strike. The income problem looming on the horizon for the strikers would be partially offset, he said, by a series of entertainment evenings featuring the stars of radio and TV, as well as many public figures.

But voices may be raised today in favour of Porat's plan, because many journalists are running scared. They do not know how to make ends meet with salaries that have already been eroded by more than 50 per cent.

Outside income is another sore spot in the Porat plan. Journalists and other IBA staffers are opposed to divulging to management what they earn in their own time. But Porat insists on knowing not only what they do, but what they get for it.

If the vote goes against the Porat formula, there's no telling how long radio and television will remain silent. Porat has stated categorically that broadcasts will not go back on the air until the workers accept his plan.

Members of the strike committee met yesterday with the coalition management and with Education Minister Yitzhak Navon. The meeting with coalition management chairman Haim Kaufman ended with a decision to establish a committee of representatives of the Ministries of Finance and Education to study the IBA's structure, its salaries and the composition of its work force.

The strike must end, Navon told the Knesset yesterday. But he offered no new proposals to achieve that goal.

Everyone was to blame for the strike and for the mess that the IBA was in, Navon indicated. And that also included the management.

Likud MK Benny Salitman went further: Porat should not just leave the authority, he should be thrown out.

Navon insisted that the strikers not be boycotted but negotiated with. The strike could not become a battleground for personal prestige, he said.

Commenting on Navon's claim that there must be legal provision for closing the authority if the need arises, the Citizens Rights Movement's Mordechai Virshubski was adamant that the authority must not lose its national status and must not become a government body. Talk of closure, Virshubski said, smacked of an ambition to create a new and all-too-faithful political tool. For Virshubski, the solution was mutually agreed upon arbitration.

Perhaps not surprisingly, the right and the religious, while admitting that the workers had a case in their pay claims, were nevertheless largely unconcerned over the possibility of closure. Indeed, Morasha's sole MK, Avraham Verdiger, asserted that television was a bad thing in itself: it had been born in sin, on a Friday night, he reminded the House, and its whole existence was sinful and corrupting.

The matter was, predictably, referred to committee.

Bnei Brak mom may have 'kidnapped' her son

By JONATHAN KARP
For The Jerusalem Post

TEL AVIV. - A family dispute over how to raise a five-year-old Bnei Brak boy has apparently led to a religiously-motivated "kidnapping" reminiscent of the celebrated case of Yossele Schumacher in the early 1960s.

The boy's father claims that his wife took the child away three months ago, following a quarrel about his education. The mother reportedly wanted to send the boy to a strictly Orthodox institution, but the father, who is newly religious, preferred a less Orthodox upbringing.

Shortly after the wife and child disappeared in July, the father turned to the police, who are handling the case. Detectives believe that the boy is still in Israel, but they are concerned that the mother may try to smuggle him out of the country, police sources said.

The most famous case of a religiously inspired "kidnapping" in-

volved Yossele Schumacher, who was nine years old in 1960 when his grandfather, Rabbi Nahman Shtarkes, spirited him away out of fear that his parents would not give him a suitably religious education.

With the help of his son, Shalom, and Ruth Blau, Shtarkes led Yossele among the ultra-Orthodox boys having him smuggled out of the country dressed as a girl. He was initially taken to England, and only after two years did the Mossad locate Yossele in Brooklyn and return him to his parents here.

The father of the missing Bnei Brak child has reportedly received anonymous telephone calls condemning him for not being religious enough and for "abandoning the Torah."

The boy's parents are still married. The husband refused his wife's request for a divorce before the quarrel that preceded the disappearance, police sources said.

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conference," he said. "But the kind of conference that the Soviets describe is exactly the kind of conference that the Israelis are shy of, and I agree with the Israelis on that."

The Soviet response to the proposals will only be given by Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev in his November summit with President Ronald Reagan. The Soviet response may be only part of a "package deal" between the two super-powers, who are expected to discuss a nuclear arms limitation agreement and a variety of other global and regional problems.

The sources suggested that it is likely that Hussein and, in his wake, Mubarak will give their views on the American-Israeli proposals only after the Soviets make their stand clear. Israeli officials hope that if Moscow agrees to the proposals, Hussein and Mubarak will fall into line.

"The key is in Moscow," said one official.

Shamir's aides yesterday said that talk of Shamir having softened his line on a Soviet role in Middle East peacemaking was "mere speculation" and said: "Why should Israel always be asked to soften its line. Why shouldn't Hussein [soften his own position]?"

In Moscow, Soviet officials indicated yesterday that agreement on the final text of an historic super-power accord to dismantle intermediate-range nuclear forces (INF) seemed almost certain during Shultz's two-day visit.

Shultz is due to arrive in Moscow this morning after an all-night train journey from Helsinki. He was originally scheduled to arrive by air but Moscow airports have been closed by fog since the weekend.

David Baker adds:
Foreign Minister Peres has called for an intensification of Israel's dialogue with the Soviet Union in order to reach out to Jews behind the Iron Curtain. "Let's have the sort of relations with Russia that will enable the

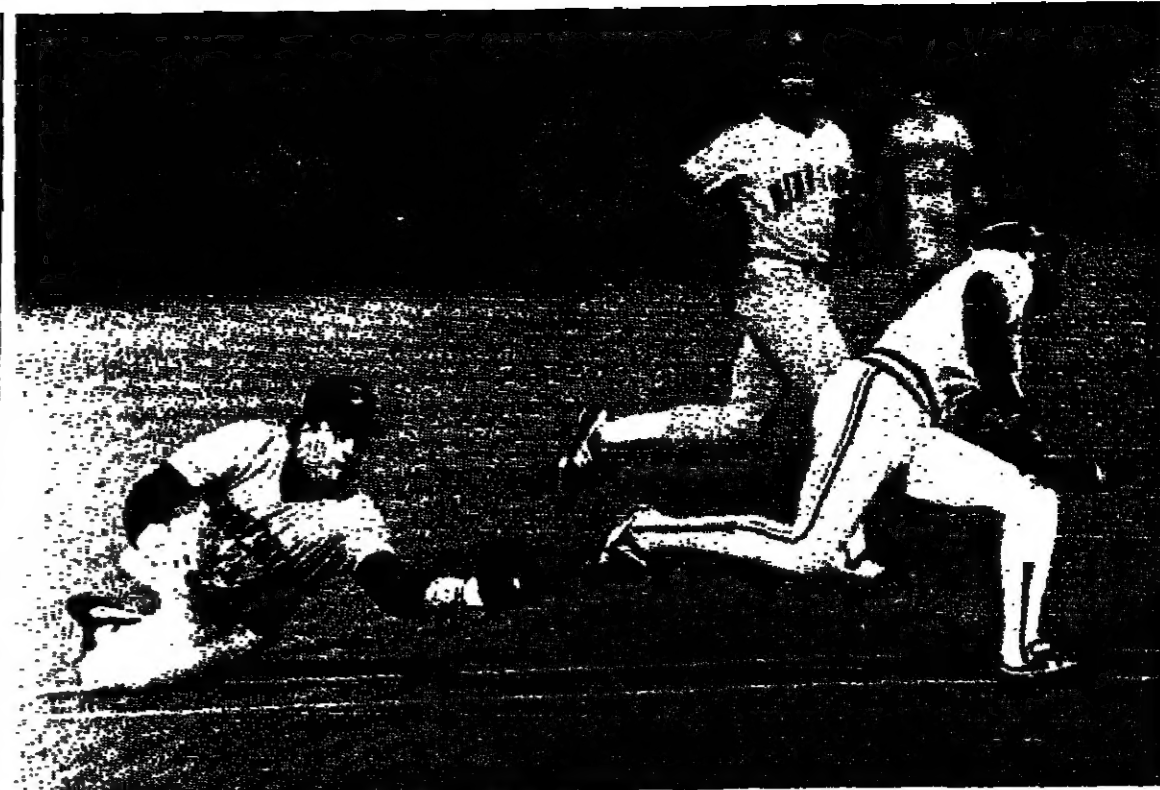


Richard Murphy leaving the home of Foreign Minister Shimon Peres (G. Feinblatt/Media)

Jews there to keep in touch with us," Peres said last night. He was addressing the World Conference on the Demography of the Jewish People, meeting in Jerusalem.

Putting part of the blame for the fact that most Soviet Jewish emigrants opt for countries other than Israel on "anti-Israel Soviet propaganda," Peres said that Israel must find a way of communicating its viewpoint to potential Soviet olim.

In what he termed the most dangerous problem facing Israel, he warned of the deteriorating demographic situation. "Between the Jordan River and the Mediterranean, 51 per cent of the babies born are not Jewish. Only increased aliyah can rectify the situation."



Minnesota Twins first baseman Ken Hrbek dives and tags the Cardinals' Vince Coloman, who was attempting to bunt for a base hit in the third game of the World Series. Coloman was called safe, then out, on the disputed play. (See story, page 5). (Reuter)

Feminist preference unites parties

By MENACHEM SHALEV

Tehiya and the Citizens Rights Movement are often depicted as ideologically-inspired parties at opposite sides of the political spectrum. A poll released yesterday reveals that the two parties have another characteristic in common: a significant number of their potential voters would prefer having a woman as prime minister.

The poll, carried out in September, found that 49 per cent of Israelis preferred to have a man as prime minister, 18 per cent preferred a woman, and 33 per cent had no preference.

Those preferring a man as prime minister were primarily supporters of the Likud (58 per cent), Liberal

Centre (60 per cent), National Religious Party (58 per cent), Agudat Yisrael (78 per cent) and Shas (64 per cent). Other groups favouring men include young people between the ages of 18-21 (56 per cent), those 65 and over (56 per cent), persons with elementary-school educations (58 per cent), with incomplete high-school educations (61 per cent), persons of Asian-African origin (62 per cent), *haredim* (69 per cent), religious (65 per cent), traditional (55 per cent) and those with under-average income (55 per cent).

Supporters of a woman as prime minister include MK Shulamit Aloni's CRM (35 per cent), MK Geula Cohen's Tehiya (23 per cent), those aged 22-25 (22 per cent), 41-50

(22 per cent), second-generation Israelis (22 per cent), and those with above-average income (24 per cent).

Only 28 per cent of the women themselves would prefer to have a woman as prime minister.

Those with no preferences come mainly from Labour voters (36 per cent), Mapam (50 per cent), undecided (41 per cent), those aged 61-65 (41 per cent), university-educated (43 per cent), European-American origin (43 per cent), Israeli-born Ashkenazim (38 per cent) and secular persons (39 per cent).

The poll was conducted among a representative sample of 1,189 adult Jewish Israelis by Dr. Mina Zemah for Roni Rimmon Communications.

Official's wife protests phone tap

The wife of Haim Zohar, the secretary-general of the World Zionist Organization who is suspected of bribe-taking and accepting sexual favours, yesterday pressed charges against the police for "illegally" tapping her phone.

In a suit presented to the Jerusalem District Court, Berte Zohar claims that the police had been authorized by court order to tap only her husband's phone calls, but they had also listened in to her "personal and intimate calls." She is asking the court to order the police to hand over any tape recordings of her phone conversations and to compensate her for the emotional damage caused. (Tim)

Dead rabid fox found in capital

Post Science and Health Reporter
A dead rabid fox was found earlier this week in Jerusalem's Baka quarter, according to the Health Ministry.

Health officials were notified about the dead animal by passersby, who did not touch it. Anyone who might have been in contact with the fox when it was alive is asked to report immediately to the district health office. Foxes from the Judean Hills and even Jordan have sometimes strayed into Jerusalem, but this is the first time that one with rabies has been seen in the city.

Syrian jailed for 47 years for El Al bomb

MADRID (AFP). - A Syrian man has been jailed here for 47 years for planting a bomb last year at the El Al Airlines counter at Madrid's Barajas Airport, injuring 12 people. A Spanish court found Nassar Hassan guilty of planting the explosives in a suitcase in the July 1986 attack, which also caused a million dollars' worth of damage, officials said.

Hassan, who was a member of the Al Fatah Abu Musa organization, had denied the charges, maintaining that he had come to Spain to seek medical treatment and to purchase wool for his organization. National television here said that security measures around the Spanish embassy in Beirut had been strengthened following the sentence.

Cholera in Egypt shouldn't affect travel plans, experts say

By JUDY SIEGEL

Post Science and Health Reporter
The Health Ministry yesterday told would-be travellers to Egypt that there was no reason to cancel their trips, despite the discovery of the second case of cholera in a week among Israeli visitors to that country.

A 52-year-old Jerusalem man now being treated at Shaare Zedek Hospital was the first Israeli to contract cholera in years. Both he and the second case, a 49-year-old Jerusalem woman, have just returned from a group tour in Egypt.

But the ministry said that they had been on separate tours, and that no one else in either tour group was found to have the potentially deadly disease.

Three days after returning home, the woman complained of vomiting and diarrhea. Tests confirmed what

her doctors suspected: cholera. The disease, unless treated by drugs, can cause a rapid deterioration in health by dehydration.

Since the first case, the ministry has been reminding all hospitals and clinics to report any serious cases of vomiting and diarrhea, with or without fever, if the patient has recently returned from Egypt or another country where cholera is prevalent. The Egyptian authorities have been notified about the two cases.

The woman is reportedly in good condition at Jerusalem's Bikur Holim Hospital.

The ministry advises travellers to countries where there is cholera to be extremely careful about personal hygiene and to eat or drink only in regular restaurants. They should also avoid using dirty toilets. Queries may be addressed to district health offices.

Beilin off for Dublin talks, won't push embassy issue

By BENNY MORRIS

Post Diplomatic Correspondent
Foreign Ministry political director-general Yossi Beilin will not ask for the mutual opening of Israeli and Irish diplomatic missions during his talks in Dublin next week, sources in Jerusalem said yesterday.

Beilin is scheduled to fly to Dublin on Monday after his current round of talks in London with senior British officials, including Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe.

Officials in Jerusalem said the trip to Britain and Ireland was planned weeks ago and is unconnected, except in "a very general sense," to the current moves in the Middle East peace process. No meetings are planned for Beilin with Jordanian ministers now in London, the officials said. But they added: "There are always Jordanian officials in London."

Beilin's talks in Dublin will focus on bilateral Israeli-Irish issues, such as expansion of trade. Beilin, the sources said, will not ask the Irish to open a diplomatic mission in Israel or to permit the opening of an Israeli mission in Dublin.

Ireland is represented in Israel by its ambassador in Athens, and Israel, in Dublin, by its ambassador in London.

Refraining from raising the matter of the representations is part of Israel's new blanket policy towards countries that have shied away from establishing, re-establishing or upgrading relations with it.

"Israel, whose position in the international community has greatly improved in recent years, has stopped courting reluctant countries," said one official in Jerusalem. Having re-established relations with a handful of African countries during the past four years, Israel is now no longer actively courting other African countries and, partly for budgetary reasons, may not set up embassies in Third World countries that establish or re-establish relations with Israel in the coming years.

A clear sign of Israel's new approach to the "reluctant countries" was Foreign Minister Peres's inability last month to fit in a meeting with his Greek counterpart during his visit to New York and the UN General Assembly session. Greece has a legation rather than a full embassy in Israel.

ARSON - Unidentified arsonists tried to set the Jerusalem municipal garage in the Shmuel Hanavi neighbourhood on fire late last night, police reported. No one was hurt.

Sharon sees Palestinian state east of the Jordan

By WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON. - Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon yesterday outlined his vision of Israel in the year 2000, calling for peace between Israel and "a Palestinian state east of the River Jordan."

Sharon, who has just wrapped up two days of talks here on the U.S.-Israeli Free Trade Area agreement, said the Palestinians living on the West Bank and Gaza should serve as "a bridge between ourselves and the Arab world."

"Jews and Arabs will have to live together," he told some 200 people at a meeting sponsored by the Centre for Strategic and International Studies, a Washington "think tank."

He repeatedly described Jordan as an already existing Palestinian state, which should enter into formal peace negotiations with Israel.

The visiting minister discounted the so-called demographic threats facing Israel by any formal annexation of the West Bank and Gaza. Jews, he said, will never "allow ourselves to become a minority in our own country."

Thus, he issued a strong appeal for Jewish immigration to Israel. "This is the main thing," he said, acknowledging the high Arab birth rate.

Sharon predicted that there would be one million Arab citizens of Israel by the turn of the century -- as opposed to 700,000 today. He strongly advocated their serving in the Israeli army so that they could finally receive all the benefits of Israeli citizenship.

Sharon conceded that Israeli Arabs did not "practically" have the same rights as Israeli Jews, even though the Arabs "on paper" are supposed to receive equal treatment. He noted, for example, that Arabs cannot obtain certain "posts."

At the same time, Sharon supported some form of autonomy for the Arab residents of the West Bank and Gaza provided that Israel alone "and forever" maintained both external and internal security control over the territories.

"This is the only possible solution," he said.

Tribute to Du Pre

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra last night changed its programme at the last minute in honour of cellist Jacqueline du Pre, who died on Monday and was buried in London yesterday.

A spokeswoman said that the symphony decided to include an aria from Bach's Suite No. 3 in honour of Du Pre. By coincidence, last night's programme also included Mahler's Fifth Symphony, whose *adagietto* is widely accepted as mourning music.

LATE SPORT

TENNIS: Amos Mansdorf struggled off a first set loss against American Mark Dickman to advance to the third round of the \$125,000 Vienna Grand Prix tennis tournament last night. The score was 4-6, 6-0, 6-2.

SOCCER: EUROPEAN CUP 2nd Round 1st leg: Steaua Bucharest (Romania) 1, Dinamo Zagreb (Croatia) 0; Lazio (Italy) 1, Borussia Dortmund (Germany) 0; Benfica (Portugal) 0, Glasgow Rangers (Scotland) 0; Real Madrid (Spain) 1, Juventus (Italy) 0; Rapid Vienna (Austria) 1, PSV Eindhoven (Netherlands) 2.

EUROPEAN CUPWINNERS CUP: Shodor (Albania) 4, Rovaniemi (Finland) 1; Off (Greece) 1, Atalanta (Italy) 0; Den Haag (Netherlands) 2, Young Boys Bern (Switzerland) 1; Real Sociedad (Spain) 1, Sporting Lisbon (Portugal) 0; Hamburg (West Germany) 0, Ajax Amsterdam (Netherlands) 1; Mechelen (Belgium) 0, St. Mirren (Scotland) 0.

UEFA CUP: Dortmund (West Germany) 2, Velez Mostar (Yugoslavia) 0; AC Milan (Italy) 0, Barcelona (Spain) 2; Dundee United (Scotland) 1, Vitesse (Netherlands) 0; AC Milan (Italy) 0, Espanol Barcelona (Spain) 2; Aberdeen (Scotland) 2, Feyenoord (Netherlands) 1; Panathinaikos (Greece) 1, Juventus (Italy) 0; Red Star Belgrade (Yugoslavia) 3, Brugge (Belgium) 1.

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Indian forces call on Tigers to surrender

COLOMBO (Reuters). — Indian forces besieging the town of Jaffna in northern Sri Lanka yesterday renewed appeals to trapped Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) guerrillas to surrender.

An Indian high commission official told reporters that leaflets were being dropped over rebel areas, assuring them of full protection if they surrender their arms. The same message was repeated over radio and by loud hollers in Tamil and English.

But the official stressed there would be no letup in the military drive against the guerrillas.

She said the surrender call was renewed because rebel radio intercepts "clearly indicated that a large number of LTTE cadres are in favour of surrendering." She said the surrender message was specifically directed at LTTE cadres. Under its terms "militants who hand over their arms will be granted full amnesty." The official said house-to-house fighting was going on as Indian troops moved towards the centre of town.

In the first independent eyewitness account of the fighting in Jaffna, a Sri Lankan correspondent who could not be named for security reasons, said the LTTE were holding

off the Indian troops at the outskirts of town.

The Indian high commission in Colombo said yesterday that 127 Indian troops had been killed, 379 wounded and 27 listed as missing. A total of 607 Tigers had been killed and more than 280 captured.

India began its attack on October 10 to enforce the July 29 Indo-Sri Lankan peace accord, giving Tamils more autonomy in the north and east.

In New Delhi, a government spokesman said the Indian peace-keeping force was now "engaged in eliminating pockets of LTTE resistance." He acknowledged that Indian troops were fighting in a heavily built-up area and faced the need to save innocent civilians.

Reading from a prepared statement, he said columns of troops were still battling their way into the town. They had now fully secured control of a number of key buildings, including the town hall, but had been fired on from the grounds of Jaffna hospital.

Pressed over a Reuters report that reporters had seen armed guerrillas walking freely through the centre of Jaffna, the spokesman would only say: "We are not saying we have cleared all LTTE from the city."

Indian Army boosts strength, readies for sustained battle

NEW DELHI (AP). — The Indian Army has stepped up its military strength to at least 20,000 troops in Sri Lanka and is shipping in additional heavy arms in preparation for a sustained fight in the island nation, Indian and foreign sources reported.

The army is making plans to remain for six months at the very least, until an election, called for in an Indian-backed peace plan, can be held to create a provincial government for the island's North and East, the sources said Tuesday.

Helicopter gunships and more tanks and other armoured vehicles are being sent to Sri Lanka to augment the troops' firepower, according to the sources. "The Indians are fighting a very, very costly war in terms of manpower loss," said a Western military strategist.

Sri Lankan sources in Colombo

say 123 Indian soldiers have died in the 11-day assault to dislodge the dominant rebel militia, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, from its stronghold in Jaffna. Indian officials have given no new casualty figures for the last two days.

The Western source said the determined firepower of the Tigers and their strategy of laying mines and setting booby traps have forced India to send additional troops.

Jasjit Singh, a retired Indian army commander and director of the government's Institute for Defence Studies and Analysis, said that Indian troops faced "the most difficult of all military combat — street fighting."

He added, "The Indian Army's future course will depend on how many of the 150,000 Jaffna residents support the Indian peacekeeping force or subvert it."

Egyptian fundamentalists flexing muscles

Belly dancers under threat

By SHYAM BHATTIA

CAIRO. — The ancient art of belly dancing is under threat after a decision by the Egyptian authorities to stop issuing new licences for aspiring performers. The government has justified its decision by pointing out that there are far too many dancers — the number has been estimated at 14,000 — but the move is being interpreted here as a gesture to placate Islamic fundamentalists who want stricter control over entertainment.

The dancers, who wear body stockings during performances, are at the sharp end of a campaign by Islamic militants who want the government to ban alcohol and close down the famous nightclub strip on the Pyramids Road, where generations of tourists have been enthralled by such stars of belly dance as Nagwa Fouad, Fifi Abdu and Shu Shu Amin.

Islamic groups also want the government to ban future performances of Western operas like Verdi's Aida, which was specially commissioned a century ago to commemorate the opening of the Suez Canal. Last month, the opera was performed in front of the Sphinx for the benefit of an audience that included top Egyptian government officials and members of the Jordanian Royal Family. A spokesman for the Cairo-based Moslem Brothers said afterwards that the opera was alien to Egypt's Islamic culture.

Six years after President Anwar Sadat was gunned down by Moslem extremists, the government of President Hosni Mubarak is still trying to cope with the Islamic revival that has touched every Arab country. Today it represents the greatest threat to Mubarak's pro-Western policies.

The men who shot Sadat were all members of the proscribed Jihad group that has secret cells throughout Egypt. It is widely believed that Jihad has penetrated the higher reaches of the establishment, including the armed forces. Supporters of the group justify the use of violence to reorganize society along Islamic lines. Earlier this year they were behind the attempted assassinations of two former government ministers.

In the Egyptian city of Asyut, the man reputed to be the local leader, or "Emir," of Jihad is an unassuming doctor of medicine. Dr. Ahmed Abdu Salim said it was the Egyptian police who were responsible for coining the emotive name Jihad (Holy War), but he added, "We are just Moslems fighting for an Islamic way of life."

He is inspired, he claims, by the Iranian revolution because "it is a revolution of all the people. We respect them for choosing the Islamic way and we can all benefit from Iran's example." Sadat, according to him, deserved to be killed be-

cause he didn't respect Islamic laws and signed the Camp David peace agreement with Israel, "the enemy of all Moslems."

In Asyut, where the population is evenly divided between Moslems and Christians, Salim's supporters expressed their militancy by railing against the leaders of the Coptic Church. "The Christians have forgotten their religion," says Osama Rusdi, the leader of a group of militants at Asyut University. "They worship three gods: Father, Son and Holy Ghost."

Asyut fundamentalists regularly try to enforce their code of Islamic behaviour by obliging women, whether Moslems or Christians, to cover their heads in public. They have also organized attacks on beer lorries in the area. "That was for the welfare of the people," said Rusdi. "Even Gorbachev has tried to do the same in Russia."

The government has attempted to counter the extremists' campaign by promoting its own version of Islamic orthodoxy with the help of more amenable groups like the Moslem Brothers.

The Moslem Brothers are no strangers to violence. They were behind the attempted assassination of President Nasser in 1954, and although still officially banned, they have now been given a limited mandate to resume political activity. (London Observer Service)



THE GOOD OLD DAYS: Dancer Zizi Mostafa performs for Jacqueline and Aristotle Onassis and other millionaires in a Cairo nightclub in the 'seventies. (UPI)

Where were the hurricane forecasters?

LONDON (AP). — The government has ordered an inquiry into why forecasters failed to predict Britain's worst storm in centuries, which killed 17 people and devastated parts of London and southern England.

Friday's pre-dawn storm packed hurricane-force winds that uprooted trees and knocked down power lines, cutting electricity to London and seriously disrupting train service. About 175,000 homes in southeastern England were still without electricity on Tuesday.

On Tuesday, Defence Secretary George Younger, who is responsible for the state-run Meteorological Office, called for a report from Sir Peter Swinerton-Dyer and Professor Robert Pearce.

Sir Peter is a member of the government-appointed meteorological committee, which runs Britain's weather-forecasting services. Pearce heads the meteorology department at Reading University.

The Meteorological Office has begun its own inquiry.

Pearce said some trees in his own garden were blown down by the storm's winds. His home in Camberley, 50 km. southwest of London, was in the path of the storm. "But our losses were quite trivial compared to other people's," he said.

The storm also wrecked homes, knocked down buildings and smashed cars. Insurance claims are expected to top \$825 million. The London weather centre said the storm "came from nowhere."

Professor John Houghton, Meteorological Office director-general, insisted his staff had predicted strong winds but were "caught out by freakish changes in direction." Michael Fish, a forecaster for the BBC who predicted "freshening winds," told TV viewers a few hours before the storm: "A woman phoned to say she'd heard there was a hurricane on the way. Well, don't worry, there isn't." Forecasters in France and the Netherlands warned of a severe storm 36 hours before it struck England's south coast.

Some of the blame has been shifted to the Meteorological Office's computers, which failed to feed out any data on the deepening depression over the English Channel that led to the storm.

Khomeini's health deteriorating

Jerusalem Post Staff
Ayatollah Khomeini suffers from depression and amnesia, according to the Lebanese newspaper A-Dustur. Quoting medical sources in Britain, the paper reported that the Iranian leader's condition stems from a heart problem that is steadily deteriorating.

A leading British heart surgeon who has treated Khomeini since 1980 was urgently summoned to Iran on October 5. The Iranian plane that flew him to Tehran stopped in Geneva to pick up another heart specialist.

The British surgeon goes to Tehran each month to examine Khomeini. He last saw the 87-year-old leader on September 22 before being summoned on October 5, and is expected to return at the end of this month, the paper said.

Other reports say that Khomeini has been in a long depression, and point to his most recent public address in which he stopped in the middle of a verse from the Koran.

Barman dies in grave

BELFAST (Reuters). — A retired Northern Ireland barman was buried alive when he fell into the grave being dug for his late brother and was crushed by the headstone, an inquest revealed.

Charles Rogers, 67, was supervising the grave being prepared for his brother when the sides started to cave in. He reached down to help one of the gravediggers out and fell in himself.

"As soon as Charlie hit the bottom, the slide commenced and the headstone went in along with the clay," gravedigger Michael Convery, who dug with bare hands in a desperate bid to save him, told the inquest on Tuesday.



A team of 40 surgeons at Baragwanath hospital near Johannesburg operate on 10-month-old Siamese twins on Tuesday. The twins "reacted well" to the initial eight-hour operation. The surgeons hope to complete the procedure in stages over a period of up to two months. (AFP/Witwatersrand University)

Great advertising for burglar-alarm company

PROVIDENCE (AP). — The unmarked door that an intruder tried to break into led to a burglar-alarm company's office — and the company's product worked, police said.

That wasn't the burglar's only mistake. The offices of Sonitrol Security Systems are right across the road from police headquarters, and the alleged burglar was in custody

within minutes. "It was great," said Robert Lee, vice president of Sonitrol, who called it a "textbook case" of how burglar alarms are supposed to work.

Frederick Robinson, 27, of Providence, was charged with breaking and entering after his arrest on Tuesday, police said.

'Red alert' in Delhi after Sikhs go on rampage against Hindus

NEW DELHI (AP). — Police on Wednesday declared a "red alert" in the capital, where authorities said Sikh extremists killed at least 10 people in several Hindu neighbourhoods.

Hundreds of police and paramilitary troops, meanwhile, entered the Sikhs' golden temple in Amritsar to arrest suspected militants.

Police searched the guest house, the convention hall and offices of the extremist all-India Sikh Students Federation in the sprawling temple complex, police in Amritsar said.

Authorities also clamped an indefinite curfew on the city to prevent a scheduled Sikh gathering. In New Delhi, hundreds of angry residents collected in groups in the

southern neighbourhood of Chittaranjan Park, where gunmen opened fire Tuesday. Most of the 10 victims lived in the middle-class area.

"We have deployed a large police force in Chittaranjan Park. People are angry with us," a police inspector from the control room said. "The people are collecting and blocking traffic," said the inspector, speaking on condition of anonymity.

He said house-to-house searches were being conducted in the Nanak Pura area, where police shot and killed one of the attackers after a chase.

"We haven't found the others. There is no progress yet," the inspector said.

Politburo man dumped 'for health reasons'

MOSCOW (AP). — Geydar Aliyev, 64, former Communist Party first secretary in the Soviet Asian republic of Azerbaijan, has been released from his duties as a Politburo

member "for health reasons," the Tass news agency said yesterday. The decision was made during a plenum of the party's Central Committee yesterday, the agency said.

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'Nobody knows what's going to be... all that matters is living and loving'

Vanity and illusions on Lilienblum

"All right, you look like a nice guy. You listen to what I say and make sure to write it just like I tell you."

"You can say that there's 'uncertainty' in the market. That's the best thing. 'Uncertainty.' That's the smartest thing to say because I'll tell you, nobody knows what's going to be. And meanwhile, it's not calm here. Just uncertain, which to the outsider looks like the same thing."

"Look at me. I sit here all day, waiting to make my living, and just up the street there, in the bourse, just a few minutes ago, I lost \$10,000 in one hour. That's right. You heard the fellow who came by a minute ago - he's my partner. He says that Hassneh just dropped another nine points. There goes another \$10,000."

"You think this is a way to make a living? You're a young fellow. I'll tell you something. All that matters is King Solomon was right and the only thing that matters is living and loving. That's all that matters. I sit here and they sweat me for a shekel. For a dollar."

"All right, so it isn't only 'uncertainty.' Go for the Europeans. Anything European, that's what goes now. Give you 1.7, 1.72, even maybe 1.75 for a dollar, but Europeans - I'll tell you, the German mark, that's the best but you can't find 'em. If you have them, well, you can get 0.95 for them, and I wouldn't be surprised if it goes to 2. Yens? Last week there were yens. Cheap. But this week? Who knows? Nobody knows what's going to be. Uncertainty."

"But you can see, nobody's down here. I'd send you down to the post office but they're all crooks down there, Georgians. We threw them out of Lilienblum. They were giving us a bad name. Crooks. They'll steal you blind. Anyone gives me a hard time, makes me sweat for a shekel. I send them down to the post office and they get ripped off, which is definitely pleasing..."

"One time, this young guy comes by and he says he's got 30,000 - 40,000 and he wants dollars. So I said, 'Okay, we'll meet at such and

Tel Aviv Tel Aviv
Robert Rosenberg

such a place, where I know a cafe where I can sit down. I'm not such a young man any more. So I go with my partner - you saw him, the fat one with the dark hair who just told me about Hassneh, but do you see me crying about it? No. That's the way it goes, ups and downs, ups and downs in this business and, what's more, King Solomon was right, it's all vanity and illusion."

"So, anyway, we go to the meeting and he shows up a few minutes late and he's carrying this blue plastic bag, which is where I figure he's carrying the merchandise."

"So I say to him, 'Let's sit down here in this nice cafe and we'll have a cup of coffee and do our business.'"

"But he says, 'No, I'm afraid, let's go into the backyard.'"

"Now my partner, he's new in the business at this time I'm referring to, and he says, 'Don't do that. You stay in the cafe and I'll make the exchange. This affair doesn't smell right to me.' That's what my partner says."

"But I thought I was the smart one, so I tell him to wait for me and I go with the customer into the backyard."

"Well, of course, as I count my money and hand it over, he pulls out a gun, but we struggled a bit, even though I am not such a young fellow like you or my partner or even the one with the gun."

"Look," he says, pulling up a trouser leg, "you see that? That red mark, that scar? Well, that's what I have from this business. A bullet. But I fought him and he ran, and the only good thing is that he was as scared as I was and dropped my money, so at least I didn't lose anything except a few days in bed until I could walk again. And of course ever since then my partner thinks he knows more than me about how to make deals on the street. Which, as King Solomon says, is all vanity and illusion."

"But you don't want to hear war

stories. You want to know what's going on here today and you won't listen to me when I tell you nothing is going on. You want action. But there hasn't been action for a long time. Not real action. No real action in fact since Peres was prime minister and did his thing. And I'll tell you, this Wall Street business, it's just like what happened here with Aridor, only they don't have us there. They don't have Lilienblum there."

"Maybe there's action in a private bank. But you can't get to one of those. No way they'll let you in unless you want to do business and then you need someone to recommend you. But you want to know about one, and you're a nice fellow, and as you can see I'm sitting here because it's not so easy for me to stand a long time since I was shot in my leg, and here I am with my legs crossed which means I've got some time and you've got some time, so I'll tell you about a bank."

"There's this old yekke, a religious man, and he has an apartment and it has four rooms. A customer comes in with a case with let us call it merchandise of a European kind and the banker sits that customer down in one room. In another room, there is a customer with American imports; and in the third room, there is someone with the local goods. And the old man moves from one room to the next and he does his business, taking a little percentage from each one."

"You ask why the customers can't do business with each other without the religious man. Because they don't know each other and don't want to know each other. You never know who it might be."

"But these bankers, they are very afraid nowadays. Very frightened of something. Because if they get caught, with \$100, \$200, I mean in thousands you see, they won't be doing business a very long time."

"So, that's the situation. You can say that the poet of Lilienblum says that the only thing that's certain is death, and for all the rest, King Solomon was right, it's all vanity and illusion, a shekel here and a shekel there. And all that matters is living and loving."

Decorated Soviet pilot flies home to Israel

Col. Lev Ovsischer, a decorated Soviet pilot who fought for more than 15 years to immigrate to Israel, arrived here yesterday and was promptly invited to visit Israel Air Force bases by the personal representative of the Air Force commander.

"I am so happy to be here," Ovsischer, 68, told an airport news conference. "As much as I loved this place from afar, I love it much more being here."

In an emotional statement, Ovsischer thanked those who had worked on his behalf, whose support "gave me strength and hope."

Ovsischer applied to emigrate in 1972 and was promptly stripped of his rank and pension. He had not worked since. Ovsischer flew here from Moscow via Bucharest.

As a pilot in the Russian Air Force, Ovsischer downed 11 German planes in World War II and earned 15 medals.

Israeli Air Force Col. Avi Aruch, shown greeting Ovsischer, told him that the IAF had heard of his exploits and courage and invited him to visit air bases in Israel.

Ovsischer accepted the invitation and said, "I dreamed to see our own pilots." (Iam)



(Israel Sun)

Rabin details firing of 3,000 IAI workers

By ASHER WALLFISH

Post Knesset Correspondent

Defense Minister Rabin said yesterday that Israel Aircraft Industries would have to fire 3,000 employees by the March 31 deadline laid down by the State Corporations Authority following the government's decision to halt the Lavi warplane project.

In a reply to an urgent parliamentary question put by Shimon Ben Shlomo (Shas) at the start of yesterday's Knesset session, Rabin gave details of the reduction of the IAI work force: dismissal of 800 temporary employees; voluntary retirement on pension of 400 more; and early pensioning off of the remaining 1,800.

Between now and March 31, Rabin said, financial transfers from the Defense Ministry to IAI would be gradually reduced to keep pace with the phased reduction in the work force. The transfers would be stopped entirely on that date.

Earlier, in the State Control Committee, which is discussing the State

Comptroller's report on the Lavi,

Aluf (res.) Amos Lapidot, former commander of the Israel Air Force and head of the Lavi project at IAI, said it was a mistake to scrap the project. Listing the operational and political advantages which the Lavi conferred, he said that the plane had "an extremely high survival capacity" and that Israel would have been wiser to shroud its operational secrets from the eyes of strangers.

The production of the Lavi in Israel would have made it possible to supply the Air Force with planes in time of war without being dependent on foreign sources, he said.

Rafael Eitan (Tehiya) quoted from discussions held even before the first decision to develop an Israeli warplane, which indicated that former defense minister Ezer Weizmann had admitted that the decision to develop the Lavi had been taken in haste.

Lapidot will continue his briefing to the committee next Tuesday.

Accord leads to reopening of An-Najah University

By JOEL GREENBERG

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An-Najah University in Nablus, which has been closed for a month following clashes between rival student factions, is slated to reopen this Saturday under a compromise agreement announced by the college's board of trustees. The Islamic Bloc student group yesterday welcomed the reopening, but dissociated itself from the accord.

An-Najah was closed by its administration following violence between members of the Islamic Bloc and the pro-Fatah Shabab movement. The violence erupted when the students from the Islamic Bloc,

to assert their power, held a religious celebration at the university mosque without coordination with the administration or the Fatah-dominated student council.

The agreement reportedly calls for establishment of a committee to supervise activities at the campus mosque and appoint a custodian for the building. The committee is to include representatives of the university administration, the student union and the Department of Islamic Studies. The university administration will supervise religious celebrations at the mosque, in cooperation with the interested parties, according to the agreement.

Hebrew U reduces tuition fees

By BERNARD JOSEPH

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The financially crippled Hebrew University has decided to cut tuition fees for its students despite a cash crisis that threatens to prevent it from opening on Sunday, the start of the new academic year.

A university spokesman said a government pledge to pump extra money into further education has allowed it to reduce fees from NIS 3,000 to NIS 2156 - the amount proposed by the cabinet earlier this year.

This brings the Hebrew University in line with the country's other universities, which have accepted the government's limit.

University officials expressed the hope last night that the decision would stall plans by students to launch a militant campaign against the cost of tuition. But, they added, the university's financial situation is still extremely grave and the decision whether to open will only be made tomorrow at an emergency meeting of the board of governors.

The extra aid for the universities followed pressure by Education Minister Yitzhak Navon on the Treasury. He warned that cuts in the higher education budget had brought the institutions to the brink of collapse. Navon pledged that he would continue pressing for more aid.

New weekly Yerushalayim on newsstands tomorrow

By ANDY COURT

For The Jerusalem Post

Yerushalayim, an entirely revamped version of the Jerusalem newsweekly Kol Yerushalayim, will hit the newsstands tomorrow, presenting a new challenge to the currently dominant weekly Kol Ha'ir.

The new competitiveness in Jerusalem's local newspaper market is part of the commercial rivalry between the Yedioth Aharonot and Ha'aretz newspaper dynasties. Yedioth reportedly invested significant sums to remake Kol Yerushalayim, hiring a large new editorial staff and opting for a new graphic design.

Editor-in-chief Nava Cohen, the former producer of the popular Zeh Hazman programme on Israel Television, said that Yerushalayim will contain a mix of news and magazine-length features with expanded coverage of culture and sports.

"We're not going to invent something new," Cohen said. "We are trying to do the best we can to produce a more interesting, intelligent product."

The newspaper's cramped offices on Hillel Street were the focus of

intense activity yesterday as the weekly's staff sprinted towards its first deadline.

At the offices of Kol Ha'ir, owned by the Ha'aretz concern, editor Ehad Asheri welcomed the new challenge.

"If the newspaper really improves and provides competition, that will benefit Kol Ha'ir, and the readers in Jerusalem," Asheri said. "It could shake us out of our complacency and make us more alert."

The battle between the two weeklies may be more over advertisers than circulation figures. Asheri observed, Kol Ha'ir is distributed with Ha'aretz's Friday edition and sold at newsstands. Yerushalayim will be included in the Friday editions of Yedioth Aharonot and Davar, and distributed free at newsstands.

Asheri predicted a "dramatic" improvement in Yerushalayim, noting that there was much room for improvement over the paper's predecessor. "But in the long-run," he said, "I don't think the paper will endanger the supremacy of Kol Ha'ir."

Pinhas Sapir honoured in creation of economic forum

By JUDY SIEGEL

The leaders of Israel's economic and banking community gathered on Tuesday at Beit Hanassi in Jerusalem to inaugurate the "Sapir Forum for Economic Policy in Israel" on the occasion of the 80th anniversary of the birth of the late Pinhas Sapir, who served as minister of finance and industry minister.

Sapir, who was referred to by President Chaim Herzog and by all other speakers as the "architect of Israel's industry," was commerce and industry minister from 1955-1963 and finance minister from 1963-1974. He died in 1975 while holding the post of chairman of the Jewish Agency executive.

Sam Rothberg, who took the initiative in setting up the Sapir Forum, said that Sapir had strongly influenced his life during their long association in raising funds for Israel. "He worked seven days a week, with little sleep and he had a fantastic memory for people and economic facts. Underneath his matter-of-fact personality of a great deer, there

was a warm and sentimental person who was always ready to help people in need," Rothberg said.

Finance Minister Moshe Nissim singled out Sapir's determination to stick to a policy, even if it meant taking difficult and unpopular decisions. "That should serve as a guideline to us all today," he said.

Bank of Israel Governor Prof. Michael Bruno said that Sapir's greatness was his unique contribution as a builder of Israel's industry. "He was a man concerned with macro-economy."

The gathering was chaired by Hebrew University Chancellor Avraham Harman.

The Sapir Forum will be run jointly by the Falk Institute of the Hebrew University and the Sapir Center at Tel Aviv University.

The Sapir Forum will meet at regular intervals to discuss major economic policy and conduct policy research. The forum will be chaired and funded by American philanthropist Sam Rothberg and directed by Prof. Assaf Razin.

New arrangements for Mecca pilgrims

By JOEL DAR

NAZARETH - New arrangements will enable Israeli Moslems to go to Mecca for pilgrimage twice a year.

Amos Gelboin, a senior adviser to the Interior Ministry dealing with Arab affairs, said this week that his ministry had received official

approval from Jordan and Saudi Arabia whereby these two countries would issue permits to Israeli Arab Moslems to visit Mecca in two separate periods each year, one in the traditional season which falls on the eve of Id-el-Adha feast and the other in March.

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Belt Lilienblum: Late Summer Blues 11:15; Ben Yehuda: The Untouchables, 4:30, 7, 9:30; North Menzies: Forbidden 7; Cinema 1: Full Metal Jacket 5:30, 8:30; Cinema 2: Angel Heart 5:30, 8:30; Cinema 3: Blind Date 5:30, 8:30; Cinema 4: Outrageous Fortune 5:30, 8:30; Cinema 5: Stand By Me 5:30, 8:30; Cinema 6: Robinson 8:15 p.m.; Cinema 7: Fiddler 5:30, 8:30; Deloit: Black Widow 7:15, 9:30; Discharge 1: The Name of the Rose 11:15, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; Discharge 2: When You Were Here 11:15, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; Discharge 3: A Man in Love 11:15, 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; Discharge 4: The Untouchables 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Discharge 5: Twisted and Shout 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Halobates 20A House Chronicle of a Love After 4:30, 7:15, 9:30 (see Wed.); Silent Movie 4:30 p.m.; Most: Beverly Hills Cop II 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Small Cinema: Hell of a Hero 8:30; The Great McGinty 10:30; Lev 1: La Famiglia 11:30, 2, 4:40, 7:30, 9:30; Lev 2: Manner 2, 5, 8, 10; Lev 3: Moon and Drift 2, 5; Down by Law 7:30, 10; Lev 4: Hero, King of Jerusalem 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Lev 5: Lady Beaters 5:30, 7:15, 9:30; 9:30; Lev 6: The Untouchables 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Lev 7: Good Wife 5:30, 7:15, 9:30; Lev 8: She's Got a Secret 4:30, 7, 9:15, 9:30; That Striking Feeling 11:30 p.m.; White Blower 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Shalut: The Untouchables 4:30, 7, 9:30; Street Raising Arizona 5:30, 8:30; For a Fistful of Dollars 11:45 p.m.; Tannas: Bulldox 7:30, 9:40; Monty Python, Yellowed 11:45 p.m.; Tel Aviv: The Shop Around the Corner 5:30, 8:30, 9:30; Tel Aviv: Number One With a Bullet 5:30, 8:30; Tel Aviv: Museum: Prick Up Your Ears 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; Zefee: Jean de Florette 4:30, 7, 9:30.

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Amphitheatre: Wet Gold 4:30, 7, 9:15; Atoms 1: Vice Squad 4:30, 7, 9:15; Atoms 2: Orion's Belt 4:30, 7, 9:15; Atoms 3: Children of a Lesser God 4:15, 6:45, 9:15; Cinema: The Untouchables 4:30, 7, 9:15; Cinema 2: Hero, King of Jerusalem 4:30, 7:15, 9:15; Ramming Kid 11:30 p.m.; Orion: Beverly Hills Cop II 4:30, 7, 9:15; Orion: The Shop Around the Corner 7:30; Orion: Predator 4:30, 7, 9:15; Orion: Full Metal Jacket 4:15, 6:45, 9:15; Orion: Stand By Me 4:30, 7, 9:15; Orion: The Untouchables 4:30, 7, 9:15; Orion: Jean de Florette 7, 9:15.

RAMAT GAN

Amos: Predator 5:30, 7:30, 9:30; Lory: Hot Pursuit 5:15, 7:30, 9:30; Orion: Full Metal Jacket 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Orion: Beverly Hills Cop II 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; Orion: The Witches of Eastwick 5:30, 7:30, 9:30; Orion: Stand By Me 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; Orion: Beverly Hills Cop II 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; Orion: The Name of the Rose 7:15, 9:30; Song of the South 5.

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Deer Accidents: Crimes of the Heart 7:30; David: Heart 7:30; David: The Secret of My Success 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; David: Beverly Hills Cop II 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; David: The Untouchables 4:30, 7:15, 9:30.

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Amos: The Untouchables: Crocodile Dundee 7:30 9:30; Purple Rose of Cairo 11:30 p.m.; Mitchell: Predator 7:15, 9:30; Beverly: The Untouchables 5, 7, 9:30.

BAT YAM

CinemaScope: Beverly Hills Cop II 5, 7:15, 9:30.

GNATVAT

Heater: The Untouchables 4:30, 7, 9:30.

RAMAT HASHARON

Kocher: Crocodile Dundee 4:15, 7, 9:30.

PETAH TIKVA

G.S. Mechal 1: The Untouchables 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; G.S. Mechal 2: Beverly Hills Cop II, 5, 7:15, 9:30; G.S. Mechal 3: American Ninja II, 5, 7:15, 9:30.

RISSON LEZION

G.S. Mechal 1: The Untouchables 4:30, 7, 9:30; G.S. Mechal 2: Beverly Hills Cop II, 4:30, 7, 9:30.

KFAR SAVA

Belt: The Untouchables: Big Chill 9:30 p.m.

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Reporter locates back-up evidence against Waldheim

A REPORTER for the *Chicago Sun Times* has apparently located the long sought-after back-up documentation of the UN war crimes files on Austrian President Kurt Waldheim.

The 185 documents - located and described in a series of articles this week by *Sun Times* reporter Chuck Ashman, and reported in brief in *The Jerusalem Post* - corroborate and expand upon charges against Waldheim contained in UN war crimes file No. 724. Ashman also reports the existence of a top-secret CIA document revealing that U.S. intelligence officers knew before the end of World War II of Waldheim's wartime activities.

The CIA has acknowledged the existence of the document on Waldheim, dated April 26, 1945 and prepared by the Office of Strategic Services (OSS), the wartime precursor of the CIA, but has refused to make its contents public. This has led some observers involved in the Waldheim investigation to theorize that he may have been recruited and protected by U.S. intelligence agents in the chaotic final days of the Third Reich.

Although Waldheim may have made a deal to help U.S. intelligence, Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union also had access to documentation about his wartime activities in the late 1940s and may have used it to blackmail Waldheim into working for them. It is thus possible that Waldheim - then a rising young star in the Austrian Foreign Ministry - may have been acting as a kind of double agent.

The UN war crimes file on Waldheim, which charges him with taking part in the murder of Yugoslav civilians and implicates him in being involved with the shipment of Greek Jews to Auschwitz, is a summary of 185 documents relating to Waldheim's wartime activities, compiled by the UN War Crimes Commission in the 1940s. The summary was given by the UN last year to the governments of Israel and the U.S., and its contents have been widely reported.

According to reliable accounts, the documents were returned by the UN to Yugoslavia in 1947, and are located in archives in the city of Zagreb. Copies of the complete set are believed to exist in the UN archives in New York. It has also been established that Yugoslav agents passed the documentation relating to Waldheim on to the Soviet Union in the late 1940s, so another full set of documents most likely exists in Moscow.

Knowledgeable sources also conjecture that the U.S. Justice Department is in possession of copies of the background evidence, and used it in determining earlier this year that there was sufficient evidence against Waldheim to justify barring him from entering the United States. Ashman refused to say how he had come into possession of the background documents.

ASHMAN'S STORY confirms earlier accounts of Waldheim's service in German Army Group E in Salonika, which carried out the deportation to Auschwitz of the more than 50,000 Jews of that country, and of his activities as deputy commander of an army intelligence group in Yugoslavia which carried out prisoner interrogations and "special tasks" - a Nazi euphemism for reprisals against civilian population and acts of torture.

The reporter writes that the most "damning evidence" in the file is an August 1943 memo from Waldheim and his immediate superior Lt. Col. Herbert Wamsdorff to the German high command, recommending the execution of Yugoslav partisans from three villages.

According to Ashman, Waldheim and Wamsdorff decided to send their memo to the top of the chain of command due to increased coordination among German forces in the vast Balkan theatre. A meeting had been held six months earlier in Salonika at which Adolf Eichmann assembled a group of Nazi officers to plan the "final solution" for the Jews of that region. Eichmann placed Alois Brunner, another convicted war criminal who is today believed to be living in Syria, in charge

Walter Ruby,
NEW YORK

of the project, and Brunner in turn delegated responsibility to General Alexander Loehr, commander of Army Group E, and his staff - which included Waldheim.

The files also contain evidence from British sources that Waldheim took part in the interrogation of British commandos in Salonika, during which torture was used.

The existence of the OSS document on Waldheim was revealed on June 9 of this year when Lee Strickland, information and privacy coordinator of the CIA, sent a letter to the World Jewish Congress denying its request under the Freedom of Information Act for CIA documents relating to Waldheim. Strickland wrote that the CIA had searched its files and found only one document - dated April 26, 1945.

According to Elan Steinberg, executive director of the WJC, the fact that the OSS opened a file on Waldheim on April 26, only two days after Waldheim said he left his German army intelligence unit, is "terribly significant" and raises the possibility that he turned himself in to U.S. forces and was recruited and protected by U.S. intelligence.

Waldheim has denied that he was approached by intelligence agents from the U.S. or any other country. Ashman notes that Fritz Molden, now the publisher of the Viennese newspaper *Die Presse* and son-in-law of the late former CIA director Allan Dulles, was instrumental in Waldheim's rise in the Austrian Foreign Ministry after the war. Molden, who served in the OSS, recommended to Austria's first post-war foreign minister, Karl Gruber, that he hire Waldheim - and, with some hesitation, he eventually did.

The revelation of the existence of the 1945 OSS file on Waldheim appears to mean that the CIA misled New York Congressman Steven Solarz (NY) when he wrote to then-CIA director Stansfield Turner in 1980 asking for information on Waldheim's wartime activities. Solarz received a response from Frederick Hitz, the CIA's legislative counsel, claiming that, "We have no intelligence reporting in detail on Waldheim's military service," and repeating Waldheim's claim, which has since been proven false, that he studied law in Vienna during the war years.

IN A RELATED development, an authoritative source at the UN told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar will meet again at the end of the month with representatives of the 17 countries that were members of the now-defunct UN War Crimes Commission to discuss whether to adopt more relaxed regulations on access to the UN archives. The meeting will be a follow-up to an October 14 meeting between Perez de Cuellar and the representatives which ended without agreement.

Israeli Ambassador to the UN Benjamin Netanyahu has called for free access to the archives by the general public. Most of the 17 former commission nations have tentatively agreed to allow qualified scholars, journalists and researchers to see the files, but not the general public.

The UN source said that France remains the only former member of the War Crimes Commission which objects to the secretary-general's plan to provide easier access to the archives for researchers.

A French source at the UN angrily denied that his country is obstructing the secretary-general's efforts to reach a solution, remarking, "I don't know why the secretary-general's people are beating us on the head. As a matter of fact, several other delegations were more critical (of the proposed guidelines) than we were."

The French source said France and other nations are "resigned" to the reality that "there is no longer much that can be done to protect the confidentiality of the files."

Truly excellent shape

ISRAELI CHAMBER ORCHESTRA. Your Talmi conducting with Gad Lewertoff, violist, and the participation of the Scottish Philharmonic Singers (Bert Halkay, Tel Aviv, October 19, Odeon Parlophone "Yizkor" (a Mendelssohn) for viola and strings; Mendelssohn: Symphony No. 4 in A major ("Italian"), Op. 90; Luigi Cherubini: Requiem in C minor for mixed choir and orchestra.

OEDOEN Partos (1907-1977) composed his "Yizkor" in 1947, under the tragic influence of the Holocaust, and since then it has been performed frequently. Violist Gad Lewertoff played flawlessly but with little personal involvement and a rather static and monotonous tone.

"Yizkor" was followed by a brilliant performance of Mendelssohn's symphony, the concluding presto constituting a particularly impressive achievement. This work, as actually the whole concert, showed the Israeli Chamber Orchestra in truly excellent shape. The orchestra has been improving steadily, reaching a very high level this season. Talmi seemed to have grown with the orchestra, revealing an ever-increasing musical potential. His interpretation

tations have not only become more exact and accurate but musically more involving and meaningful. Talmi's style is characterized by a pleasant flow of ideas, a beautifully graded dynamical treatment and a most sensitive feeling of sound and sonority.

Cherubini's little-known and rarely performed Requiem proved a gem, and all three factors involved - the conductor, the Scottish Philharmonic Singers and the orchestra - contributed to a most pleasing and satisfying performance. Again, Talmi's sense of balance, of effectively juxtaposed contrasts in expression, his feeling of form, his ability to instill Cherubini's noble, restrained style with its peculiar force and distinction, have all our admiration.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

WORLD SERIES: Cards 3, Twins 1 - Twins lead series 2-1

Underdogs fight back

ST LOUIS (Reuter). - Vince Coleman's two-run double in the seventh inning brought the St. Louis Cardinals out of a 1-0 hole, and they went on to beat the Minnesota Twins 3-1, thus climbing back into the World Series.

The Cardinals now trail in the best-of-seven championship of major league baseball two games to one. They avoided going down 3-0, a deficit no team has ever overcome.

The Twins opened the scoring in the sixth after ace left-hander John Tudor gave up his only walk of the game back-to-back to Greg Gagne and Kirby Puckett with one out.

Gagne advanced to third when St. Louis catcher Tony Pena caught Gary Gaetti's pop foul and went into the Cardinals' dugout.

Tom Brumansky's soft liner to right centre field scored Gagne and put Puckett on third, but a fine snag and throw to first by star shortstop

Ozzie Smith on Kent Hrbek's grounder into the hole ended the inning and prevented further damage.

First-year starting pitcher Les Straker, a 28-year-old Venezuelan, held the Cards scoreless on just four hits through six innings, but left in the top of the seventh for a pinch-hitter.

In the bottom of the inning, fill-in third baseman Jose Oquendo hit Panamanian Juan Berenguer's first pitch into centre field and went to second on Tony Pena's single through the right side. Pena had failed in two bunt attempts before swinging away.

Regular third baseman Terry Pendleton, out of the starting lineup because of a rib injury, pinch hit for Tudor, bunting Oquendo and Pena over to second and third.

Then came Coleman, batting just .222 (8-for-36) in post-season play.

With the count 3-1, the previously ineffective St. Louis leadoff batter golfed a double down the third-base line to put the Cardinals up 2-1.

The speedy Coleman stole third, his second theft of the game but only his third of the series, and came home on Smith's liner to right field to make the score 3-1.

"I wasn't sure we could get a run," said Cardinals manager Whitey Herzog. "I worry about that every night. We just have to scratch for runs any way we can."

"We've lost a lot of offense," Herzog said. "Our pitchers know they have to pitch a low-run ball game."

Runs Hits Errors
Twins: 000 000 000
Cards: 000 000 000
Winning pitcher: John Tudor
Losing pitcher: Juan Berenguer
Home runs: none
Attendance: 33,347
(Minnesota leads best-of-seven series 2-1)

SQUASH

Jansher claims he's No.1

BIRMINGHAM, (AFP). - Jansher Khan's 9-5, 9-4, 4-9, 9-6 victory over Australian Chris Dittmar in the World Open Squash Championships here was inevitable. The meteoric rise of Jansher Khan from junior world champion in 1986 to senior world champion here must surely eclipse even the incredible performance of Jahangir Khan. And, like Jahangir, this 18-year-old from Peshawar in Pakistan will almost certainly enjoy a long reign as number one.

A year ago he said he would beat Jahangir. Two months ago he said he would be number one. In the event, these were not idle boasts. He fulfilled his predictions with ease, even though his success over Dittmar took 90 minutes.

The fear now is that the new champion will do to squash what Jahangir did - make results too predictable. That is bad for squash even though it pulls in the crowds all over the world.

Dittmar is not impressed by all

the talk. "I think you can beat him by using brains," the outspoken redhead said after his loss. "I think a lot of the time he plays with instinct, rather than thought, and sometimes he hits the ball without knowing where he hits it."

The rumour is that Jahangir has not trained properly all year, so his defeats are put down to lack of fitness. The 23-year-old Jahangir now has five games to go to win the British Open title. The real question is whether he can regain the motivation that drove him to the top.

After his defeat by Jansher he admitted: "Maybe I'm not hungry enough. But the last time I lost to a player, Jahangir, was in the British Open nine years ago. He has pledged himself to that record, and, in a strange way, it means more to him than the world title."

The two J.K.s will meet again in the U.S. Open in November, a clash that must pull in the crowds. But it will be the British Open in April that will show whether a new king has been really and incontrovertibly crowned.

Jansher claims he has captured the men's crown after his three successive victories in only 22 days over the five-dimes world champion.

"That must make me the number one now," But Jahangir responds, "Whatever he says, I'm still number one in the rankings. There's a long way to go yet before the season ends. I know now I have to be a little fiercer and a bit quicker than I have been, but these are the things I'm working on."

Amos now 23rd in world

Amos Mansdorf climbed up to 23rd place on the ATP computer standings, published on Monday, as a result of his meritorious victory in the Rikids Grand Prix Tennis Classic at Ramat Hasharon. Another Israeli favourite, Jimmy Connors, moved from sixth to fifth place, displacing Miloslav Mecir.

The top 30: 1. Ivan Lendl (Czech), 2. Stefan Edberg (Sweden), 3. Mats Wilander (Sweden), 4. Boris Becker (FR Germany), 5. Jimmy Connors (US), 6. Miloslav Mecir (Czech), 7. Pat

Cash (Australia), 8. Yannick Noah (France), 9. Andrei Gomer (Soviet), 10. Ken Karsimon (Sweden), 11. John McEnroe (US), 12. Brad Gilbert (US), 13. Joakim Nyström (Sweden), 14. Tim Mayotte (US), 15. Martin Jaffe (Argentina), 16. Emilio Sanchez (Spain), 17. Anders Jarryd (Sweden), 18. David Pate (US), 19. Guillermo Perez-Roldan (Argentina), 20. Henri Leconte (France), 21. Stobdan Zivjovic (Yugoslavia), 22. Eduardo Bengoechea (Argentina), 23. Amos Mansdorf (Israel), 24. Elliot Teltscher (US), 25. Scott Davis (US), 26. Christo van Rensburg (SA), 27. Mikael Pernfors (Sweden), 28. Jakob Hlasek (Switz), 29. Peter Lundgren (Sweden), 30. Johan Kriek, (US).

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5. Hag Yehuda v Hag Lod	1 1
6. Hag PT v Bet J'lem	2 2
7. Hag Beersheva v Shikmona	X X
8. Mac Yavne v Bet Netanya	1 1X
9. Hag J'lem v Hakoach	X X
10. Mac Ashdod v Hag Tiberias	1 1X
11. Hag Haifa v Hag Hadera	1 X
12. Hag Bet Yav v Hag Acre	X X
13. Hag Yehud v Mac Jaffa	X X
14. Hag R. Sana v Shikmona	2 2

CRICKET Windies' close win

KANPUR (Reuter). - West Indies successfully defended a modest total of 236 for eight when they beat Sri Lanka by 25 runs in the world cup group B match here on Wednesday. West Indian teams of old, and not that old, would have demolished this Sri Lankan side. As it was the island team still had a theoretical chance of winning the match at the start of the final over with 28 runs needed and three wickets in hand.

At this point Vivian Richards might have turned to Courtney Walsh, the man who bowled the final over against England and Pakistan and conceded 13 and 14 runs respectively to see defeat snatched from victory. Richards preferred not to risk it, though, and threw the ball to Winston Benjamin who oversteered just two runs as Sri Lanka finished on 211 for eight. It was West Indies' second victory, both against the Sri Lankans, and moved them to second place in group B behind service leaders Pakistan and ahead of England on superior run rate.

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Two gem organizations to remain independent

By KEN SCHACHTER
For The Jerusalem Post
RAMAT GAN. — "Diamonds are forever," say the advertisements that portray the precious stones as symbols of enduring love. But as two rival industry groups here now know, even sparkling gems can't rescue a match that has soured.

After a 9-month trial marriage, the upstart Association for the Advancement of Diamond Manufacturing in Israel — known as *Kidum* within the industry — has decided to abort plans to unite on Dec. 31 with the long-established Association of Diamond Manufacturers.

The reason: irreconcilable differences, according to Moshe Berger, director-general of *Kidum*. "As it turned out, it was wishful thinking," he said. "We came to the conclusion that both organizations can keep their independence."

In some ways, the proposed merger looked like a May-December romance. The Association of Diamond Manufacturers has been an industry force for about four decades and counts among its roughly 140 member firms, the largest companies and all of Israel's 16 sight holders, who are entitled to purchase rough stones from the De Beers monopoly.

Kidum, meanwhile, has about 300 member firms, employing a total of 4,000 versus an estimated 6,500 for the Association. Companies affiliated with *Kidum* also tend to have younger ownership than the establishment Association.

With the differences in membership also has come a difference in priorities. The Association has tended to favor the status quo, under

which its sight holders give it a voice to De Beers and the opportunity for some members to buy rough diamonds at a lower price. *Kidum*, meanwhile, which doesn't have any sight holders, only has input when invited to participate in talks by the Association. *Kidum* members buy virtually all their rough diamonds on the higher-priced open market in Belgium. Thus, it is with some urgency that *Kidum* is pressing De Beers to increase Israel's allocation from 35 per cent of demand to at least 50 per cent.

Aside from paying increased prices in Belgium, Berger said, *Kidum* companies also suffer from lost work time. The standard two-week buying trips each year come on top of the annual month-long summer vacation taken by the Diamond Exchange, he said.

Berger said the Association was giving short shrift to efforts by *Kidum* to convince De Beers that Israel can handle a larger proportion of smaller stones, which have more added value, in its supply of rough diamonds. *Kidum* also has mounted a drive to convince the government to increase the level of foreign currency insurance, he said. But he denied rumours that there was bad blood between the two organizations. "We aren't looking for fights," he said. "There are still a lot of problems we can confront together effectively."

Daniel Lagziel, president of the Association, couldn't be reached for comment, but Moshe Schnitzer, president of the Israel Diamond Exchange, portrayed the rift between the two organizations as an indication of their different aims.



Members of the Israel Police building department recently visited the Negev Ceramics factory for a special study day. The aim was to familiarize them with some of the building materials available as they plan the programme of refurbishing police buildings throughout the country.

Bank Leumi UK seeking more business accounts

By DAVID HOROVITZ
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — In what amounts to a complete reversal of policy, Bank Leumi UK has shifted its focus from retail to corporate banking, and has introduced severe bank charges on current account transactions.

Bank Leumi UK, which has seven branches here, was the first UK bank to introduce free personal banking, but Deputy General Manager Geoffrey Wiesenfeld told *The Jerusalem Post* recently that "the costs of this service were rising all the time, and we felt it was unfair that other sectors of the bank had to subsidize this sector."

Wiesenfeld said that several dozen customers had closed their accounts in protest against the introduction of charges, and that he regretted this.

"We knew that there would be some flak," he said, "but the bank has taken a decision to concentrate more on business accounts and higher net worth individuals, to provide a more sophisticated service to a sophisticated clientele."

In marked contrast to the other Israeli banks with subsidiaries here, Bank Leumi's previous policy had been to build up its retail banking interests, and some 70 per cent of work in the bank's branches is be-

lieved to be tied up with these smaller customers.

Banking sources believed that the change of policy would probably lead to the closure of one or two branches, and to a significant personnel cut-back, but Wiesenfeld denied this, claiming that "no branch will close as a result of this policy."

The shift to current account charges, at a time when more and more banks are introducing free banking and even paying interest on current accounts, follows an internal investigation at Bank Leumi into the profitability of each separate aspect of the bank's business.

It had been thought that the route to profitability in the UK lay

through current accounts, in that they would boost the bank's profile, serving as loss leaders attracting larger clients.

But the analysis revealed that although many Jewish customers thought they were doing the bank a favour by banking with Leumi, almost every personal account was costing the bank an unacceptable amount to run.

Hence the change of approach — with charges for almost every current account transaction — which has already led to angry scenes outside Leumi's Gants Hill branch, and which is certain to leave many hundreds of customers disgruntled if not disgusted.

THE TAX BURDEN/ Jeff Broide

VAT and travel tax news

Conversion of bonds to bank cheques enable tourists to enjoy VAT exemption.

Tourists who visit Israel may now be exempt from VAT on hotel and other tourist services even where they pay through redemption of Government Bonds purchased overseas.

The VAT regulations provide that where payment is made by way of bank cheque in shekels, and the original source of the money was from early redemption of Israel Government Bonds, then such payment would be treated as if it were made in foreign currency and any payments made therewith would be exempt from VAT.

Until recently, this regulation was unknown to many tourists who, when settling their accounts at a particular hotel by way of previously having cashed in such bonds at the bank and receiving cash, discovered that they were also liable to VAT.

This has now been appropriately dealt with, including an instruction from the Bank of Israel to the different commercial banks instructing them to inform any tourists or non-residents who request to cash in such bonds that if they do this by way of breaking the amount down into a number of bank cheques instead of cash, then they may utilize these cheques for settling the various accounts with hotels, car-hire companies and such like, and thereby avoid paying the 15% VAT. Tourists kindly take note of your VAT rights!

Things you should know about the travel tax on overseas travel.

The amount of the travel tax is today NIS 250, excluding travel to Egypt which is exempt from the tax, and to Romania, to which the travel tax is only NIS 125.

Amongst those liable to the tax are Israeli citizens, including new immigrants, temporary or permanent residents (A-1 status). Israeli citizens, even where they hold an additional citizenship or another passport, are, in

fact, obliged by law to leave the country with their Israeli passport.

However, certain travellers are, in fact, exempt from the tax. These include tourists, temporary residents holding A-2 status (students), members of clergy with temporary resident status (A-3), children under two years of age, minors under the age of 18 who hold passports with a foreign home address registered therein or, alternatively, a minor under the age of 18 registered in the passport of one of the parents in whose passport the home address is registered as a foreign one, and, of course, the diplomatic corps and such like.

Where the travel tax has been paid and the trip thereafter cancelled, the tax may be reclaimed by applying to one of the customs offices in the main centres; the applicant must submit an application for the refund and attach thereto the original copy of the receipt evidencing payment, confirmation from the travel agent that the trip was cancelled, and, of course, the relevant letter.

It should be borne in mind that if the tax is repaid within 30 days, it will be refunded without any additional amount for interest; thereafter, interest will be due as governed by the law.

VAT and gift vouchers

In a recent directive, the VAT authorities indicated that businesses that sold gift vouchers to different customers, who then gave them as gifts to their employees, should treat such vouchers as "negotiable documents" (similar to cheques and such like) and, therefore, on the sale thereof they are not liable to VAT.

Naturally, when these gift vouchers are utilized and cashed in for the purpose of purchasing goods, then they will constitute a payment for the transaction and, at that stage, the dealer will be liable to VAT thereon. This is an important clarification from VAT authorities.

The writer is a Certified Public Accountant (Israel).

Long drive leads to better tourist facilities

By GREER FAY CASHMAN

On a good day, when the flow of traffic is smooth, the drive from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem should take around fifty minutes. If you're going slightly over the speed limit, you can do it in forty. Yesterday it took Tourism Ministry director general Rafi Farber two-and-a-quarter hours. Farber, who drives almost every day from his home in Tel Aviv to his office in Jerusalem, said that he could not remember ever before

taking so long to get from one city to the next.

There wasn't even a logical explanation for it. There was no bottleneck; the traffic lights were operating properly and there was no rain. Fortunately, there had been no accident, resulting in congestion. There was just an incredibly long chain of vehicles, progressing at a snail's pace along the highway.

Farber suddenly became conscious of the fact that if he wanted to

pull off the road for a cup of coffee or simply to fill up his tank, the

facilities were few and far between. As a result, he intends to make a thorough research of rest-room, cafeteria and service station facilities bordering highways across the country, and to promote greater investment in those regions in which they are most sorely lacking.

If he'd got to work at his usual speed, he might not have given the problem a second thought.



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Mr. Shamir reconsiders

APOLOGIES may be due to the Prime Minister. His mind is perhaps not as tightly closed to reasonable argument as it has been portrayed. At his last, late night session on Sunday with the visiting U.S. Secretary of State, Yitzhak Shamir is reported to have been persuaded by George Shultz to drop his seemingly unalterable opposition to the idea of an international conference on Middle East peace under the chairmanship of the five permanent members of the Security Council.

True, Mr. Shamir did not quite endorse the April 11 agreement on the matter between his Foreign Minister, Shimon Peres, and King Hussein. He set some tough conditions of his own. In the first place, he would confine the chairmanship to the U.S. and the Soviet Union alone: the smaller big powers — Britain, France and China — would have to stay home. Secondly, he would allow no degree of even super-power participation that went beyond the strictly ceremonial.

Besides, Mr. Shamir would not let the Soviets in unless they first resumed full diplomatic relations with Israel and flung their country's gates open for the unrestricted repatriation of Soviet Jews to their homeland. Mr. Peres for his part would be satisfied with the renewal of ties and merely large-scale Jewish emigration.

Taken literally, the premier's conditions are not so much an invitation to an as an epitaph to the conference, and their presentation casts some doubt on his seriousness in consenting to reconsider his earlier negative position. If previously he dismissed the idea of the conference on the ground that the Kremlin would only agree to take part if it could actively meddle in the proceedings, now he appears to suggest that it might content itself with a purely ceremonial role. This is plainly absurd.

It is similarly absurd to expect the communist Soviet Union to allow the entirely free emigration of any group of its citizens. That alone might undermine the regime in even its most liberally conceivable transfiguration.

The importance of the premier's gesture, inadequate though it is, lies at the moment in the very fact that it has been made. Mr. Shamir could have set his present conditions a full six months ago, instead of flatly rejecting the idea of the conference as a nightmarish threat to Israel's existence and as Mr. Peres's private hobby. But he did not. He has only done it now, in response to Mr. Shultz's urgent plea for the enlistment of the Soviets in the regional, and global, search for peace — presumably the same urgent plea the secretary of state addressed to the premier back last April, only to be rebuffed.

Ironically, what Mr. Shamir is now proposing is in effect a revised version of the despised, pre-Camp David Geneva-type conference with its dual American and Soviet chairmanship. The Herut leader who has solemnly pledged not to permit an international conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict because the Soviets would have to have a share in it, is now evidently willing to grant the Soviets not one fifth but a full half of the chairmanship.

But never mind. What matters is that Mr. Shamir has shifted his ground. He no longer insists on direct negotiations with Jordan under no foreign auspices except, if absolutely necessary, America's. His own ideas deserve to be discussed, and it is encouraging to learn that King Hussein, to whom they were communicated by Mr. Shultz in person, did not dismiss them out of hand. He merely suspended judgment about them until after the conference of Arab heads of state, due to be held in Amman early next month.

Whatever reservations the Jordanian monarch may now or later have about Mr. Shamir's amendments to the April 11 agreement are, however, very likely to be as nothing compared to the reaction of leading members of the premier's own party. Herut bigwigs, among them Mr. Shamir's closest allies, are already said to be fuming about his startling turnabout.

It will be intriguing to discover how Mr. Shamir is planning to account for it. He cannot, without sorely offending Mr. Shultz, pass off his own design for a conference as but a cosmetic invention calculated to kill the whole idea. To explain that Washington, though earlier very sceptical about it, is now sold on the conference, and that there is no reason to fear that it might prevent free and unfettered direct negotiations, would be to repeat the arguments already used to no effect by Mr. Shultz, and Mr. Peres.

Plainly, Mr. Shamir has a bit of a problem on his hands. But better late than never, and better inadequately than not at all. When it is recalled that his violent aversion to an international conference of any description has been largely due to the justifiable fear that it might lead to a "redivision of Eretz Yisrael," Mr. Shamir's new tack deserves high marks. Assuming it is genuine, of course.

Challenge to the Histadrut

HISTADRUT secretary-general Yisrael Kessar faces a major problem on his return from Europe today.

While he was away, eight academic professional unions decided to get together and set up a new labour confederation which will be dedicated to the pursuit of their exclusive interests. Three of these unions — the high school teachers, physicians, and university lecturers — cut their links with the Histadrut some time ago already, and the decision of the other five to join them in a separate organization does not signal their own secession right away. All the same, the warning bells should be ringing loud and clear in the upper storeys of the Histadrut's Tel Aviv headquarters.

A labour federation's strength depends on solidarity among its members, regardless of occupation. This is particularly true for the Histadrut, which is rather more than just a trade union movement. A formal secession of its elite professional groups would indicate that worker solidarity is impossible to maintain in present-day conditions, and that the entire conception of the Histadrut as an organization that protects the working people, all of them, vis-a-vis the capitalist employers, caters to their social and health needs and also provides employment to many of them as well, may be due for a thorough revision.

When the threat of the professionals' secession is added to the difficulties bedeviling the Histadrut's health and pension funds and Hevrat Ovdim industrial giants such as Solel Boneh and Koor, it is all too plain that a reassessment of Histadrut policies and priorities is a matter of grave urgency. And not least so because the strength of the Histadrut translates politically to the Labour Party and the Alignment.

The task immediately facing Mr. Kessar is to break down the alienation of so many workers, not in the professional groups alone, from their organization by lightening the heavy hand of the federation's centralized bureaucracy, yet without eroding the Histadrut's ability to act as a leader in the struggle for a more just and equal society.

Enemy number one on the West Bank

Yossi Sarid

THREE weeks ago I met face to face with the most dangerous man on the West Bank. No wonder the occupation authorities are tailing him, and pretty soon they will put their hands on him. The occupation has a developed sense of recognizing who is its enemy number one.

Until my meeting with him I did not realize what a great danger was facing us. I had been under the impression that we have to worry only about those terrorists, whose every act reinforces the occupation. A hundred years of terror are a hundred years of occupation. The blood that is spilled lubricates its wheels and mechanisms, like a 10,000-km. servicing of an automobile.

Another bloody terrorist attack — we have said a thousand times — is no longer a nail in the coffin of the occupation but a nail in the carriage upon which the occupation is being borne.

With such enemies as the bloody terrorists, the occupation needs no friends.

Three weeks ago I suddenly became aware of the fact that there is no justification for lethargy. The occupation is in danger. It is no longer possible to depend — with your eyes shut — on the rivals within the Palestine Liberation Organization, who compete with each other for the title of extenders of the life of the occupation, of making permanent the Israeli presence in the occupied territories.

We must keep our eyes open to see the most dangerous Palestinian of them all, the one who is rightfully on the wanted list of the security forces. They are after him, and they will get him.

The name of that man is Dr. Mubarak Awad, who born in 1943 in the Musarra section of Jerusalem. He lost his father and his home in 1948, he received his education in Ramallah and continued his education in the U.S. where he lived for many years. He returned here in

1983, with the intention of remaining here.

Awad, a psychologist by profession who holds an American passport, two years ago established the Centre for Studies of Non-Violence in East Jerusalem. The first person to recognize the danger in Awad and his activities was the Kiryat Arba lawyer Elyakim Haetzni.

Back in 1984, Haetzni presented a serious complaint against him, which the attorney-general of that time, Yitzhak Zamir, rejected. But that is not the case with the present attorney-general. He has ordered the police to investigate Awad, after Shlomo Baum, another experienced hunter of dangerous Arabs, applied to the High Court, armed with a damning document — an article by Awad entitled "Non-violent opposition: a strategy for the occupied territories."

The article had been circulated, in Arabic and English, throughout the West Bank. Haetzni and Baum immediately understood that if the ideas expressed in the article were adopted by the Palestinians, the occupation may become short-lived. Whoever wants to rescue the occupation must get rid of Awad, and the sooner the better.

To tell the truth, there are really some blood-curdling statements in the article. Awad proposes to his Palestinian brothers that they leave the path of terrorism and fight against the Israeli occupation by non-violent means.

In place of hand grenades, pistols, Molotov cocktails, knives and even rocks, he recommends the following: don't pay taxes, don't show ID cards, don't fill out official forms in Hebrew, boycott Israeli-made goods, don't help in the establishment of new Jewish settlements, lie down in front of the bulldozers, show passive opposition to govern-

ment expropriation of lands, stage strikes, demonstrate, wherever possible fail to show up for work and fill up prisons in Israel to full capacity.

If these non-violent civil disobedience means will make the occupation authorities crazy and cause them to act irrationally, even then Awad urges the Palestinians not to fire, but to be fired upon. Spilt blood, he believes, and victims' cries, are heard better than the shouting of the murderers.

Awad did not invent the theory of passive resistance. It was his spiritual forefathers, who did so — Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King, he says.

HAETZNI and Baum, very intelligent people, understand very well the significance of a Palestinian Mahatma in the vicinity, a person who may gradually take the place of the murderers. If, one of these days, human beings will take the place of the two-legged beasts, it would signal the end of the occupation.

Baum and Haetzni, who seem to be moonstruck in their nationalistic dreams, faithfully reflect the views of the Israeli political establishment — both the Alignment and the Likud — who hate Palestinian moderation while preferring, ironically, the extremist zealots among them.

With extremism, there is no problem. There is no need to take it into consideration, and certainly no need to enter into a dialogue with it. All you have got to do is take aim at it.

With moderation, there is a big problem. You must sit down and have a coffee with it. You must, eventually, make some sort of proposal to it.

That is the reason why the Israeli leadership is willing to respond with a few nice words about Palestinian moderation only when it is being choked off. A moderate Palestinian is a dead Palestinian.

During Issam Sartawi's life they did not even look in his direction. Only after his death did they eulo-

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gize him as a kind and friendly soul who had unfortunately fallen.

But a moderate Palestinian who did not die as did Sartawi, but is alive — as is Mubarak Awad, is always looked upon with suspicion, as a blood-thirsty PLO man whose moderation is nothing but a ploy.

Two months ago, before I became familiar with Awad and his activities, I wrote an article entitled "How to crush the Israeli occupation", which was later published in several Arab newspapers. In it, I also called upon Palestinians to give up terrorism altogether and adopt non-violent civil disobedience methods.

If Baum, Haetzni, the Attorney-General, the General Security Services and the police are such big heroes in dealing with Awad, let them try to be brave in their dealings with me. Let them also summon me for questioning. Let them also put me on trial for my political opinions, which are like his. Needless to say, I will gladly yield my parliamentary immunity.

The attorney-general, the General Security Services and the police know very well that it would be impossible to put me on trial, just as in the case with Awad.

Even in these crazy times it is impossible to introduce the spirit of senselessness of Baum and Haetzni into the entire legal system. However, the so-called courageous watchmen of Israel are not yet raising their hands.

In a month's time Awad will have to leave the West Bank, when his visa expires. In order to remain, he is prepared to give up his American citizenship in exchange for a permanent residence permit. But his request will not be granted. When Awad will want to return to his homeland his way will be blocked and the gates shut tight.

In this way we shall have to our credit yet another great victory in our well-planned and success-ridden struggle against that deadly Palestinian moderation.

The writer is a Civil Rights Movement Knesset member.

STABILITY

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markets yesterday lurched upwards and the dollar was unsteadily firmer as West Germany and France followed the U.S. Federal Reserve in taking a relaxed line on money supply. They appeared to increase evident liquidity by some \$9 billion.

In London, shares firm at the opening, slipped, and firmed again in response to the Wall Street surge. Overall, London shares rose in sea-saw trading, with the Financial Times Industrial index closing 88.1 points higher, at 1,527.3 points.

In London the dollar firmed slightly against most currencies in early trading, although it fell against the yen to 143.68 against 143.90 on Tuesday. In New York, it slipped slightly at the opening, at 143.30 yen against Tuesday's New York close of 144.40, and at 1.8037 Deutsche marks, against 1.8128. It also slipped by a similar amount against other major currencies, opening at 1.4975 Swiss francs against 1.5055, £0.6031 against £0.6056, and 6.0240 French francs against 6.0510.

Gold rose in New York by just over four dollars an ounce, to \$467.15.

Late in the European trading day, market sources said in Tokyo that

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over for the decision-makers. The Treasury and the Bank of Israel are apparently getting their signals crossed over developments. The Finance Ministry is convinced that following the large injection of cash into the economy in the wake of the redemption of NIS1.4b in bank shares, interest rates should go down. But the Bank of Israel is still perplexed. With devaluation expectations spreading, the bank is very fearful of enabling the public to borrow cheaper shekels for investment in foreign currency.

The bank's governor Michael Bruno had been due to appear yesterday at the Knesset Finance Committee to explain monetary policy. But earlier this week, he asked for a delay until Tuesday, hoping that by then he would be able to tell the MKs of the bank's new policy.

MURDERERS

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During yesterday's hearing, Avraham Haba, whose son, Rami, was murdered in May at Elon Moreh, was ejected from the spectators' section after he left his seat and screamed at the judge to impose the death penalty.

When the convicts were led away, they were surrounded by Haba and Border Police veterans who beat and spat at them. Security men fended off the attackers.

In a related development, a seamstress from Bethlehem charged with planning to carry out a suicide car-bomb attack this year on the government buildings in Jerusalem was remanded in custody Tuesday at the Ramallah military court until the end of legal proceedings against her.

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READERS' LETTERS

ABORTION IN ISRAEL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — Shimon M. Glick ("Demography and abortion" — October 11) cloaks his erroneous arguments on abortion with the mantle of the sanctity of the State of Israel. However, they do not disguise his reactionary views which are no different from those used by anti-abortionists the world over.

While Dr. Glick claims he is not opposed to abortion, stating "present provisions of the law should be followed in their letter and spirit," clearly his objective is to reduce the number of abortions. But can Dr. Glick close his eyes to the fact that, by reducing the number of legal abortions, illegal abortions would increase?

Glick clearly lives in the past, when young women were frightened by authority to give up their babies, if he suggests the following mechanical and simple equation: childless couple plus pregnant woman equals happy woman plus happy couple.

Obviously, the decision to have or not have children is far more complex than Glick has considered. To carry and bear a child and then give it up goes against human nature, and now that women make decisions about their bodies, they are deciding not to do what goes against the life force.

Further, does Glick suggest that Jews should attempt to win a biological war with the Arabs, that Jews should have more children because Arabs have large families? Is this really a serious proposal?

Surely, a more positive approach must be adopted. How can we create favourable conditions to encourage couples to have children and bring them up to be contributing members of society? What medical, social, economic, educational and

political conditions do we require to assist couples to decide, yes, we can afford to clothe, house, educate and generally provide for another child? And no glib answers will do here.

It really astounds and frightens me that someone with Dr. Glick's views holds the enormously influential positions of Dean of the Ben-Gurion University Faculty of Health Sciences and Director of Kupat Holim in the Negev.

BARBARA SHAW

Herzliya.
Sir, — Words cannot describe my total agreement and identification — please note as an educated, emancipated female from "the West" — with Shimon Glick's article, "Demography and abortion." Would that his article, so well reasoned, so moral about an issue of murder of a human being, i.e. the fetus, be printed in all Israeli newspapers.

I know from cases in England that terrible things can be done to "unwanted" children, but, as Dr. Glick writes, let doctors and social workers persuade the mother to go through with the pregnancy and give the child up for adoption to one of the hundreds (maybe more) of childless couples in Israel. It really is ridiculous that Jewish couples have to go through agony to find a non-Jewish child in Brazil or elsewhere when they could have the opportunity of saving a Jewish life here in Israel.

The demographic argument is important, but not as much as the moral one: where do we get the "right" to kill a fetus, a potential human being, because it is unwanted at a particular time. JANET HENIG
Kfar Blum.

RIGHT OF CONSULTATION

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post
Sir, — I see that Prime Minister Shamir does not appreciate Peres's approach to American Jewry on the international peace conference issue. His bluster leaves little doubt. Does he not see that the Jewish leaders in America play a central — and sometimes critical — role in the affairs of our state?

Some Israelis may consider the following comparison less than inclusive. However, the State of Israel is analogous to a large corporation, wherein each and every Jew is a shareholder; Jewish organizations the world over, its active board of directors; the American Jewish leadership, its chairman of the board; and the Israeli government, its chief executive officer.

The above example is cold, nevertheless, accurate. To deny Israel its right of American consultation on this issue would be for a corporation to ignore the counsel of its most influential board member. It behooves a corporation to take advantage of its leadership and seek out its guidance, particularly on divisive issues. It owes it to its shareholders.

Shamir says that traditionally, Americans are not consulted on internal issues. Well, traditionally, Israel hasn't always resolved its internal conflicts — the results of which we live with today. In fact, Shamir thinks he has enough opposition here at home. His analysis may be incorrect.

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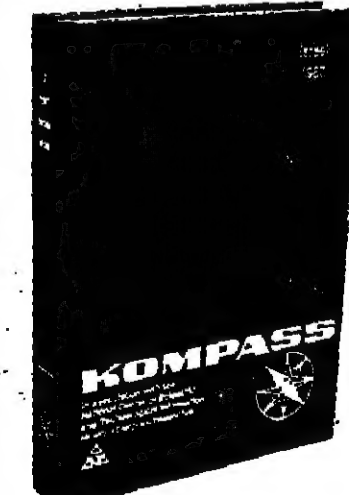
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